



IMPORTANT AND HISTORIC RIOJA

COMPAÑÍA BODEGUERA VALENCISO

OLLAURI • LA RIOJA

In 1998 Rioja winemakers Luis Valentín and Carmen Enciso collaborated with Radoux (extremely fine French barriques) and several meticulous growers to create Valenciso to produce a single wine: an outstanding Rioja of the highest possible quality, regional typicity and varietal authenticity, released exclusively as a Reserva.

In the manner of Burgundy and the greatest Riojas of the past, aromatic volume rather than physical weight is the Valenciso ideal. Only a small percentage of the available fruit from grower-partners is selected, harvested physiologically ripe and healthy from mature, low-yielding vines offering maximum intensity without the overripeness that brings excessive alcohol.

Crafted in Valenciso's new winemaking facility in the traditional village of Ollauri, the red is aged in the finest cork-grade (flor) French oak barriques, one third of which are replaced each year. Aging regimen varies depending on vintage characteristics and exhaustive examination and tasting.

The gorgeous balance of this Rioja Reserva offers early accessibility, while evident structure, fresh acidity and fruit intensity promise many years of positive evolution in the cellar.



VALENCISO BLANCO

Viura (70%) and Garnacha Blanca aged 9 months in new Russian oak. Grapes to create this classic Rioja blanco were hand-harvested from old vines planted to clay-limestone soil. Only 4000 bottles were produced, primarily for local consumption.

Lively fruit scents introduce a subtle creaminess, with spice notes on the palate and a restrained oak presence; long, persistent, refined.

VALENCISO RESERVA

100% Tempranillo aged 22 months in fine-grained French oak. Highly polished, tightly wound and elegant Rioja with an impressively sophisticated aromatic profile. Fine tannins provide a silky texture, leading to a persistent finish of red berry fruits and sweet oak. Blossoms through decant yet will age gracefully over decades.

*Parker's WA: **93 POINTS** "The 2006 Reserva has a classic, very pure bouquet of warm leather, dried herbs and dark berry fruit, and it offers scents of melted tar with continued aeration. The palate is very harmonious with succulent red cherries, mulberry and dried fig, with subtle white pepper notes sprinkled over the finish. This constitutes a worthy follow-up to the superb 2005 and will have the same propensity to age. Drink now-2025."*

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