
BODEGA LANZAGA / Rioja

El Velado (2017)

El Monte
01308 Lanciego, Álava

El Velado is a beautiful and very old vineyard situated at an altitude of 600m. It is the first vineyard we fell in love with in Lanciego and the one that is probably best expressing the influence of the light in Lanciego.

The vineyard was planted in the easternmost part of the village, facing mainly west and south, and enjoying a warmer light. Because of this exposure, its field blend was made with a majority of Garnacha and Tempranillo plus some other old varieties, including white. Its old age of over 80 years, its size, and the sculptural shape of the bush pruned vines, make this vineyard very special, full of light, which we wished to capture and bottle separately.

The 2017 vintage will be remembered for the intense spring frosts on April 27 and 28 which caused severe damage to the vines. Most of the village Lanciego's high elevation vineyards were less affected though, which is also the case for El Velado. Apart from that it was a fairly warm and dry year, conditions in which El Velado and its Garnacha vines ripen very well, offering a fantastic wine, mature and accomplished but at the same time nervy and of great balance.

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