32779 Santa Cruz, Ourense

LADEIRAS DO XIL / Valdeorras

A Falcoeira (2016)

We are very proud of what our 2,75 hectares of Falcoeira represent. Falcoeira in the past has always been the most important vineyard of Santa Cruz, wide and perfectly exposed to the south. Asking the older vine growers about the best place in Valdeorras, they always pointed out this vineyard. When we went there, it didn't exist and we had to reclaim and replant the almost 100 ancient and abandoned terraces shaped in an amazing amphitheatre around the Bibei river. Our efforts to recover this "Grand Cru" have been and are immense. Intense and profound, this wine is like the place it comes from.

REGION

Ladeiras do Bibei (Valdeorras)

VILLAGE Santa Cruz

PLACE A Falcoeira

VARIETIES

Replanted with traditional varieties selected from our very best old vineyards: Mencia, Brancellao, Sousón, "Garnacha"...

VITICULTURE

Organically farmed vineyard. Bushvines. Manual harvest in boxes.

ELABORATION AND AGING Native yeasts. Aging in foudres.

SOILS

Granitic soils, acidic, poor and coarse textured, at an elevation of 400 to 600 meters on narrow, vertiginous terraces of steep, south-facing slopes.

VINTAGE CHARACTERISTICS

Even though the first months of the year were very wet, 2016 in Valdeorras was again characterized by heat and drought in summer. We began harvesting on September 16, starting in Falcoeira. Falcoeira is always richer in style compared to our other single vineyard wines, and the 2016 vintage is particularly expressive and extremely balanced.

BOTTLES PRODUCED 2.643

