La Estrada (2017)

La Estrada Alta is a tiny vineyard of only 0.64 ha, at 610m a.s.l. It is located in the higher and most western part of the village of Lanciego, on very poor soil. Planted in the 1940's and managed with traditional bush pruning, it was mostly field blended with Tempranillo and a little Graciano.

Facing northeast, the vineyard is situated on top of a slope of pure chalk clay. This special vineyard with its small production has always fascinated us for its depth and balance.

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 La Estrada. Apart from that it was a fairly warm and dry year, especially after the frost. Rainfalls at the end of the cycle and an early harvest have favoured expressive and intense, but also well-balanced wines.

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