

# TEBAIDA Nº5 MENCÍA

**ROBERT PARKER (USA): 93 PTS · VINTAGE 2010** 

JAMES SUCKLING (USA): 91 PTS · VINTAGE 2011-2012 92 PTS · VINTAGE 2015-2016

**GUÍA PEÑÍN (ESP):** 94 PTS · VINTAGE 2016-2018-2020

### **OUR WINES**

- · CASAR DE BURBIA Godello
- · CASAR DE BURBIA Godello Barrica
- · CASAR DE BURBIA Mencía
- · HOMBROS Mencía
- · TEBAIDA Mencía
- · TEBAIDA NEMESIO Mencía
- · TEBAIDA Nº5 Mencía
- · EL CASTAÑAL Mencía



## **DESCRIPTION TEBAIDA Nº5 MENCÍA**

Maximum expression of our estate's concept of terroir. This is a newcomer to the winery. It took us years to find the key to show a unique and sigular Bierzo. This is a wine from a single plot, Sapita vine-yard, so we had to master the essence of the plot first, something that can only be achieved through years of practice and work on it.

For us, Sapita vineyard is a little treasure. It is two and a half hectareas of a century-old Mencía vineyard planted in 1903, with unique geological qualities thanks to its high concentration of slate and iron minerals.

Here production is very low, but the grapes cannot be improved upon. This plot has a unique personality, which explains this wine's style; unique and not comparable to the other wines we bottle.

#### **DATA SHEET**

Origin of the grapes: micro-plot of 0.4 hectares in the highlands of Sapita vineyard in Valtuille de Arriba.

Region: D.O. Bierzo.

Soil type: abundance of large stones with slate and quartz.

Viticulture: goblet vineyards, planted in 1903, harvested by hand.

Variety: 100% mencía.

Elaboration: Tebaida Nº5 is the pure expression of Sapita vineyard and our goal during preparation is to stay out of the way of that expression. We let the vinification process finish in 225-litre open french oak barrels with the vineyard's own yeasts. We keep an eye on it so that everything progresses normally, although we rarely have to intervene in this process. It then ages in 225 litre barrels for around 18 or 21 months. We let time work its magic on the wine and leave it in the bottle rack for a few years until it is fully refined. The result is a combination of elegance, structure, and complexity that we understand will have a very long life ahead of it.

### **TASTING NOTES**

A ripe red with aromas of plum, black cherry, and orange peel, aromas of gunpowder, Chinese ink and citrus, the winery's most mineral wine. Full-bodied, round, smooth tannins and a magnificent finish.