

Fuente Milano 2014



Winery: Bodegas Pedro Escudero

Region: Vino de la Tierra de Castilla y Leon

Grapes: 50% Viura, 50% Verdejo

Winery: The Escudero family and patriarch Pedro in particular are recognized as being some of the very best grape growers in all of Rueda. He is often approached by neighbors looking for advice about vineyard issues. They have only been bottling wine since 2002, though they had been growing and selling grapes for a number of years prior. The family owns a vineyard planted with 32 Ha. of Verdejo and 2 Ha. of Viura. The name of the vineyard is "Fuente Elvira" and the soil, which consists of gravel and sand over a red clay sub-soil, has some of the most highly regarded soils in the Rueda district. They farm all of their plots with organic practices.

Wine: This wine is produced with 45 year old vine Viura and Verdejo from 15 year old vines. Grapes underwent cold maceration for 12 hours and were then lightly bladder pressed to extract the free run juice. The wine (must) underwent slow alcoholic fermentation for 20 days. Afterwards, it aged in stainless steel vats with its lees for several weeks. Stabilization and light filtration occurred before bottling.

Reviews: "Very light, bright yellow. Tightly focused lime and pink grapefruit scents are complemented by a deeper melon quality. Lively and sharply focused, offering bracing citrus, floral and mineral flavors and a late touch of salinity. Finishes brisk and dry, with lingering notes of citrus pith and white pepper."

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