

Bela 2021

Bela's label is a facsimile of one of CVNE's label from 1910.

The stars represent the children of CVNE's founder, Eusebio Real de Asúa.

His brother Raimundo, the other founder, had no descendants. Each star represents one of the children: Sofia, Áurea, and Ramón. Sofia was known as Bela.

91
Points

Wine Spectator

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100**



- **Type of wine:** Roble
- **Region of production:** Ribera del Duero
- **Year:** 2021
- **DO vintage rating:** Excellent
- **Grape varieties:** 95% Tempranillo, 5% Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot
- **Bottle type:** Bordeaux
- **Bottle size:** 75cl.
- **Aging and barrel type:** 9 months in French oak barrels

Analytical data

- **Alcoholic volume:** 14.2%
- **Volatile acidity:** 0.40
- **Total acidity:** 4.8
- **SO₂ Free/Total:** 32/72
- **pH:** 3.73
- **Total Polyphenols Index:** 70
- **Suitable for vegans**

The vineyard

Own vineyards, mostly of Tempranillo (5% Cabernet Sauvignon and Merlot) of more than 25 years situated at more than 820 m altitude in the village of Villalba de Duero. Our Villalba vineyard is marked by its smooth and corrugated terrain. The soil has 2 distinct parts: on the one hand, a sandy loam texture, rich in sand-sized particles, well distributed between coarse and fine, which characterizes these soils as well aerated and well drained. On the other, clay-loam textures both with an average depth of around one meter, poor in organic matter with a medium carbonate level.

Winemaking

The winemaking process is traditional, cold maceration prior to fermentation in stainless steel tanks followed by a nine-month ageing in French oak barrels. The wine matures a minimum of three months in the bottle until its release on the market.

Selected yeasts.

Vintage / Harvest description

The 2021 vintage was marked by abundant rainfall and somewhat cooler temperatures than in previous years, delaying the start of budding. Throughout the year, the rainfall decreased, giving us a dry summer until the start of the ripening process. Two weeks before the start of harvest, we had some rainfall, helping the grapes to reach perfect condition for harvesting.

The harvest took place from the 1st to 25th of October.

Tasting notes

High intensity cherry-red cherry color with purple notes in the boarder. Aromatic complexity where we find floral notes and red fruit such as currant, raspberry, etc.. All this softened and complemented by fine notes of sweet spices and the nuances of the wood from the barrel (vanilla, clove...). It is a wine of passage marked by a tasty tannin and with personality, the end of mouth takes us to a long and fruity aftertaste with a final minerality that confers elegance and finesse. Service temperature 15-16°C.