# Contino Rosado **2019**

Viñedos del Contino was born in 1973, establishing the "château" concept in the Rioja region. Its wines are made exclusively from the vines planted on its 62 hectares.

The estate's vineyards embrace its ancestral home within a meander in the River Ebro, located in Laserna, near the village of Laguardia in the Rioja Alavesa winemaking region.



• Type of wine: Rosé

• Region of production: Rioja

• Year: 2019

• Contino vintage rating: Excellent

• Grape varieties: 66% Graciano, 34% Garnacha

• Type of bottle: Burgundy

• Production and bottle size: 2,667 bot. 75el.

• Bottling date: April 2021

• Aging and barrel type: 19 months in oak barrels

# Analytical data

• Alcoholic volume: 13.5% • Volatile acidity: 0.55

• Total acidity: 7.23 • SO<sub>2</sub> Free/Total: 20/91

• pH: 3.09 • Suitable for vegans

### The vineyard

The soils on which the Graciano are grown are alluvial and those of the Garnacha are calcareous.

### Winemaking

Manual harvest of our Graciano and Garnacha grapes.

Fermentation takes place in oak vats, Graciano macerates for 12 hours while Garnacha for 16 hours. Bleeding is done in 500 litres oak barrels, where the alcoholic fermentation takes place at control temperatures of  $16-18\,^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$  during 20 days.

Once completed the fermentation, the wine is blend together and aged together.

It ages in oak vats for 19 months prior its bottling.

## Vintage / Harvest description

2019 has been a year marked by low rainfall, slightly below average. At the end of May there was rainfall that hindered fruit set in some varieties that were in full bloom. This, together with the plant's water stress, produced loose clusters and small berries.

Temperatures throughout the growing season reflected the fact that the winter was not very cold, but the summer was characterized by heat waves. Harvest began on September 11 with the earliest white varieties and ended on October 7th with red varieties. This season was characterized by very favorable weather throughout the harvest. It is expected to be a great vintage in terms of quality.

### Tasting notes

Intense very bright raspberry pink in color. Elegant aroma of red fruits, complemented by floral notes that give it finesse and freshness.

A pleasantly balanced rosé, with an extraordinary roundness on the palate. Highlight its volume and persistence, with a refreshing finish and long aftertaste.

