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Arizcuren



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Producer Overview

Well-known and highly respected architect turned winegrower, Javier Arizcuren is one of Rioja Oriental's most exciting talents. Javier spends his "spare time" focused on rescuing high-altitude, ancient Grenache and Mazuelo (the local name for Cariñana), on vineyards that managed to survive both phylloxera and the trend of replacing historic vines with Tempranillo, a grape that ripens early, and that is only a small part of this region's history despite its dominance today. His experience with architecture leads him down rabbit holes of possibility and experimentation (a rarity in this often predictable and extremely conservative wine region) so that he may better understand the aesthetic of each site and build on its strengths using various fermentation and aging techniques.

Vineyard Details

100% Garnacha from the Yasa Centena high plain at 550m from vines planted in 2016 with massale selections from an ancient vineyard called El Pastor.

Cellar Notes

Destemmed saignée with a natural fermentation in steel at 18°C max. Aged in steel for five months with the first sulfites added after the malolactic fermentation and again before the bottling. It is neither filtered nor fined

