Arrocal 2017 (Red Wine)



Bodegas Arrocal is located in Gumiel de Mercado a small village in the "golden triangle" of Ribera del Duero. The vineyards were planted by the Moises Calvo and Rosa Arroyo and the winery produced its first wine in 2001. A new winery was built and utilized for the 2005 vintage. The new winery moves all grapes using gravity to minimize rough handling and to help obtain a wine with a silky mouthfeel. Fruit expression is maximized through temperature controlled fermentations, keeping maceration times short and gentle pressing in low capacity basket presses.

| Appellation | D.O. Ribera del Duero |
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| Grapes | 100% Tempranillo from vines averaging 20 years old |
| Altitude / Soil | 820-850 meters / alluvial soil composed of sand clay and pebbles |
| Farming Methods | Practicing Organic (undergoing certification) |
| Harvest | Hand harvested into small boxes for transport and hand sorting at the winery |
| Production | Grapes are destemmed prior to fermentation in temperature controlled inox tanks |
| Aging | Aged for 8 months in 80% French and 20% American oak, 20% new |
| UPC / SCC / Pack | 8 437005 780002 / / 12 |
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Reviews:

"This fresh, vibrant 2017 stood above all the other wines we tasted from the vintage, a season marked by a fierce April frost and a hot, arid summer. With crops diminished, sometimes radically, producers may be releasing less young wine, or lesser young wine. This is a greater young wine: Bright, spicy and solidly built, its dark aromas shift into juicy flavors emboldened by alcohol. It's clean, bulky and rich."

90 points Best Buy Wine & Spirits Magazine; June 2019

"Ribera del Duero produces some terrific red wines from the tempranillo grape. Arrocal is spicy and meaty, with notes of tobacco and blueberry and a satisfying, long finish."

3 Stars (Exceptional) The Washington Post; August 2019

