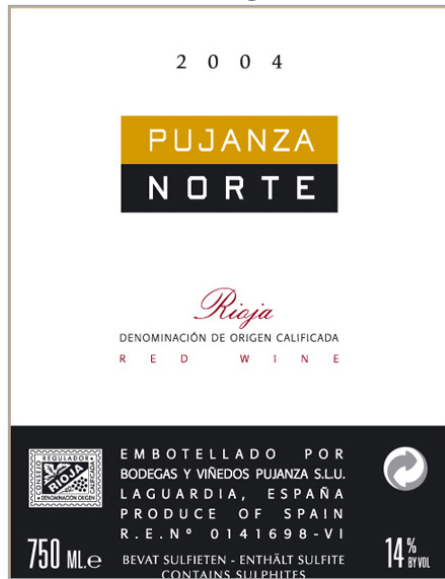


Pujanza Norte 2004



Winery: Bodegas y Vinedos Pujanza

Region: Rioja D.O.Ca.

Grapes: 60% Tempranillo and 40% Others

Winery: Bodegas y Vinedos Pujanza was established in 1998 by Carlos San Pedro, a fifth generation grape grower and third generation winemaker. In 2001, the winery introduced its first wine, Pujanza. Carlos San Pedro considers himself to be a vine-grower, conscious of the fact that his work has an aim which is the creation of great wines. This idea was the starting point for a young winery that wants to reflect this vitality in its wines. The winery is in La Guardia, Rioja Alavesa, a village well known for its wines. All of the wines are produced from single vineyards. Norte is produced from the El Norte vineyard, 2.2 hectares planted with 60% Tempranillo and 40% other grapes varieties in clay and limestone at 680 meters elevation. The vines are 20+ years old and yield ~3500kg/hectare.

Wine: The harvest was undertaken in boxes by hand in order to avoid crushing the grapes. This, together with the selection table, helps the winemaker identify the right grapes from those which are not good enough for the wine. Harvested at 27 hectoliters/hectares. The wine underwent a 5 day pre-fermentation cold soak before being fermented in a big French oak vat (6,500 liters) for a total of 21 days on the skins. Aged 14 months in new Allier and Tronçais French oak barrels. No fining or filtration before bottling.

Reviews:

“The 2004 Pujanza Norte offers up a sexy, bordering on kinky, perfume of exotic spices, incense, confiture of black fruits, and truffle. Structured, elegant, and powerful, it has exceptional length and a decade of aging potential. It will deliver prime drinking from 2017 to 2034.”

95 points *Wine Advocate* issue 189 June 2010

“Great, with noticeable personality, elegant, full of suggestive notes.”

100 points *Guia Proensa* issue 2007



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