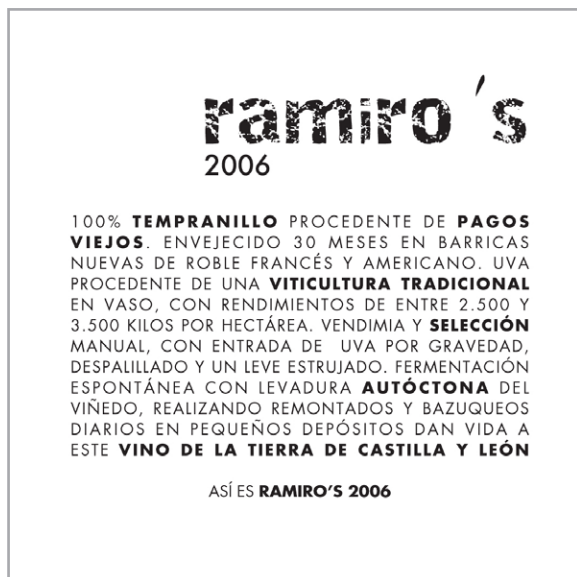


Ramiro's 2006



Winery: Ramiro's Wine Cellar

Region: Vino de la Tierra de Castilla y Leon

Grapes: 100% Tempranillo del Valle del Duero

Winery: The project "Ramiro Wine Cellar" originated in the 2001 vintage with the desire of Jesús Ramiro and Eduardo García to create wines without the limitations imposed by the Regulatory Council of a D.O., giving them the ability to experiment with the different varieties of the Duero Valley. Today the winery has agreements with vine-growers in both Toro and Ribera de Duero.

In Toro, the vineyards are located in the municipality of Villafranca de Duero and Morales de Toro, within very tiny plots of land which produce low yields. The vineyards are over 60 years old. The soils are sandy in the surface and have

a subsoil rich in clay and iron. The soil's pH is acid which brings the wines the minerals and complexity of the old vineyards from Toro.

In Ribera de Duero we searched for the coldest places located in the north areas like Tubilla, Aguilera and Baños, to provide the wines a fresher and elegant personality which combines with the strength from the Toro vineyards. The lands are also tiny plots with old vineyards whose output is lower than 3000 Kilograms per hectare. The soils are clayey and chalky with a higher pH, deeper and fresher, bringing the Wine a fruity expression and more refined tannin.

Wine: Produced from grapes harvested from 60-90 year old vineyards between September 14 and October 10, yields 20-25 hl/ha. Maceration lasted for 15 days with daily punch downs and pump overs. Aged 28 months in new American and French oak barrels. Bottled in April 2009 without clarification or filtration.

Reviews:

"Aromas of pain grille, mineral, Asian spices, espresso, and blackberry lead to a plush, layered, sweetly-fruited wine with well-integrated oak and a pure, lengthy finish. This friendly, buxom effort is easy to like. It will be at its best from 2012 to 2121."

92 points *Wine Advocate* issue 188 April 2010

"Utterly captivating nose mixes black and blue fruits, smoky minerals, mocha and potpourri. Lush and sweet and surprisingly vivacious, with seriously opulent blackberry and boysenberry flavors complicated by vanilla and spicecake. Broad, concentrated, palate-staining wine with a refreshing light touch to its spicy, very long finish."

93 points *International Wine Cellar* issue 152 Sept/Oct 2010



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