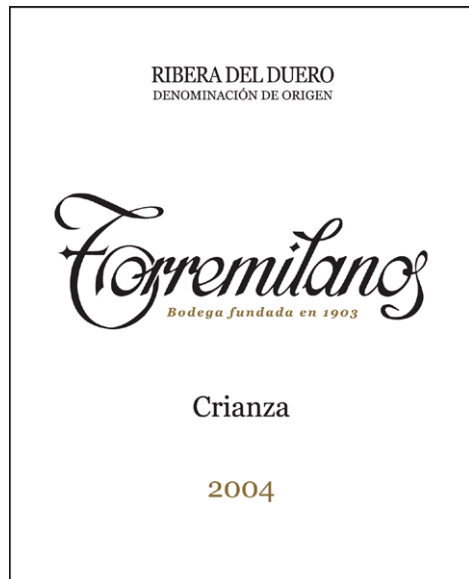


Torremilanos Crianza 2004



Winery: Bodegas Finca Torremilanos

Region: Ribera del Duero D.O.

Grapes: 100% Tempranillo

Winery: This winery is family owned and has been producing red wines on the estate since 1903. The vineyards are located on the second slope above and nearly 2 km. south of the Duero river at an altitude of 800-900 meters. Soils are deep and composed of limestone, sand and clay in roughly equal proportions along with gravels from the old river bed that are composed of silex and quartz. In some vineyard plots the gravels dominate, for example the Roble Viejo vineyard is predominantly gravel and the youngest vines are 85 years old. The land has been known for its quality and has been planted with vines for more than 100 years.

The estate, Finca Torremilanos, is comprised of 200 hectares of vineyards. 60 hectares are head-trained, en vaso, with the remainder trained to wires. The majority of the vineyards are Tinto Fino with a few small plantings of Cabernet Sauvignon, Pinot Noir and Petit Verdot. The slopes are predominantly north facing and one can see for 60 kilometers from the heights of the vineyards. 100% of the plots are farmed organically and the winery is seeking organic certification.

Wine: Made solely from estate grown fruit which is wire trained, Guyot pruned. The vines range in age from 17 to 25 years and are farmed organically. There are 55 hectares of vineyard used for the production of this wine. The wine is fermented with native yeast in different tanks based on terrain, altitude, slope, and soil composition. The wine spends a total of 9 days on skins with 4-5 days being pre-fermentation. Once fermentation is complete, the wine is racked to barrels and a preliminary blend is created. Depending on the vintage, different oak or time in oak may be used, in 2004 the wine spent 19 months in oak barrels, which were coopered at the winery.

Reviews:

“Deep crimson-colored, it reveals an attractive nose of cedar, mineral, earth, blackberry, and black currant. This leads to a forward, fruit-filled wine with good flavors and excellent depth. It has the structure to evolve for 2-3 years and will drink well through 2020.”

90 points *Wine Advocate* issue 175 February '08

“Black cherry, mineral, smoke and licorice flavors mingle in this firm, polished red. Though restrained, it's lively and fresh, and has plenty of concentration. Drink now through 2016.”

90 points *Wine Spectator* October 31 '08



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