B DE BASILIO TINTO

DOCa La Rioja



WINERY

Basilio is one of Spain's most brilliant winemakers. In 2006 he started a personal project by himself, a winery space in the town of Laguardia within the Rioja Alavesa section of Rioja. His goal: to explore some of the lost art of Rioja winemaking in conjunction with his knowledge of the latest techniques and materials. In that first year his white wine production consisted of one new French oak barrel. Since then he has expanded to an annual production of about 5000 bottles of barrel aged red and 700 bottles of barrel fermented white.

Name: B de Basilio Tinto

Class: Red

Region: DOCa La Rioja

Vintage: 2008 Rating: 93 Parker

Grape Varieties: 62% Tempranillo, 34% Garnacha

and 4% Graciano

Case / Bottle Size: 12/750ml Alcohol Volume: 13.5%

TASTING NOTE

The 2008 B de Basilio Izquierdo red blends Tempranillo, Garnacha and Graciano from different regions within Rioja. It is fermented with its natural yeast and aged for a year in French barrels (Basilio was educated in Bordeaux and has a big Bordeaux influence) and is extremely aromatic, open and perfumed, with notes of pomegranate and blood oranges. The palate is very balanced, with good acidity, wood perfectly integrated, flavors of ripe acid fruits and a very long finish. A great compromise between modernity and tradition, which is evolving very slowly.

