

BODEGAS LA HORRA





CORIMBO I 2013

LA HORRA | Bodegas La Horra is a venture from the iconic Rioja producer, Bodegas Roda. They spent four years in research and investigation to find the land best adapted to Tempranillo, the variety which is known in depth by the research and technical team at Roda. They found the most suitable region was Ribera del Duero and specifically within this DO, the area of La Horra. They partnered with the Balbas family, who own some of the most coveted vineyard sites in the village with old bush vines of Tinta del País.

RIBERA DEL DUERO The cultivation of Tinta del País (Tempranillo) and winemaking tradition in Ribera del Duero was established by medieval monasteries and granted DO status in 1982. The DO vineyards lie on either side of a 110-km stretch of the river on limestone and chalk soils. The riverbanks and low-lying land with water lying close to the surface are called campiña (countryside) and terrazas (terraces); the shallow slopes above them, which are among the best for vines, are called laderas (sides), and steeper slopes called cuestas (slopes).



BLEND | 100% Tinta del País (Tempranillo)

VINEYARDS | Vines are an average age of 50 years in La Horra and Roa on limestone/chalk soils.

WINEMAKING | Fermentation in a combination of large wood and stainless steel vats followed by 16 months aging in barrel - 80% French oak and 20% American oak.

ALCOHOL | 14.5%

PRESS | 93 WA

"I did a side-by-side tasting of two vintages of the top bottling, Corimbo I, and I ended up favoring the 2013, which shows the freshness of the year and bypasses the challenges of the harvest. However, the wine seems to have suffered a bit with the élevage, and it isn't as vibrant as the outstanding second wine from 2013. Don't get me wrong, this is a great year for Corimbo I, but it's not better than the regular Corimbo." - Luis Gutierrez

