Madai Atlantic Mencía, DO Bierzo 2018

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Bodegas Madai

— Bierzo, Spain

A limited production elegant and layered Mencia - a result of Madai's old vine fruit, the influence of the Atlantic climate, and well-judged use of oak.

Production

Madai is the creation of the Amigo brothers, who returned to their native Bierzo to rejuvenate their grandparents' vineyards planted with old vine Mencia grapes (over 80 years of age). The best, very selective parcels are chosen for this wine. The Mencia grapes are taken to the cellar after harvesting where, following fermentation, they spend 14 months in 500 litre French oak barrels.

Tasting note

An explosion of blueberry and blackberry aromas with floral, violet notes. The palate is complex with layers of berry and bramble fruit supported by silky, elegant tannins. What is most remarkable about this wine is that is has incredible concentration yet at the same time is remarkably fresh. It also balances joyful fruit character, aged tertiary characters and herbal notes in a way akin to great wines from classic regions. Minerality and fresh acidity follow through to the long, concentrated and lightly saline finish.

Food Match

This red will pair with rich, roasted meat and game - and also oily fish dishes.

ABV:
14.00%

Case/Bottle Size:
6x 75cl

Closure:
Cork

Appellation:
DO Bierzo

Winemaker:
Gonzalo Amigo

Grape Varieties:
Mencia 100%

Suitable for:
No