

# BODEGAS RAMIREZ DE LA PISCINA

## CRIANZA

### *D.O.Ca. Rioja*

**DENOMINACION DE ORIGEN:** D.O.Ca. Rioja

**LOCATION:** The winery is located in San Vicente de la Sonsierra.

**VARIETAL:** 100% Tempranillo

**VINEYARDS:** Multiple proprietary vineyards located in Ábalos and San Vicente de la Sonsierra.

**YEAR(S) PLANTED:** Before 1990.

**VITICULTURE:** Trellised and head trained goblet vineyards that are maintained and harvested entirely by hand.

**SOILS:** Calcareous clay composition.

**CLIMATE:** Continental with heavy Atlantic influences that are moderated by the Sierra Cantabria.

**WINEMAKING:** Bunches are carefully sorted, destemmed, and transferred to stainless steel tanks for maceration. The temperature controlled fermentation begins spontaneously. When the fermentation is finished, the wine is run off by gravity. Malolactic fermentation in tank.

**AGEING:** 15 months in American and French oak barrels in underground cellars followed by 5 months in stainless steel for natural fining and settling. Once bottled, it is bottle aged underground for at least 8 months.

**COMMENTS:** Traditionally styled Rioja Crianza. Characteristic red fruit aromatics of vineyards planted in San Vicente de la Sonsierra, with delicate notes of coffee and spice from oak ageing.

