



BODEGAS ADRÍA

VILLAFRANCA DEL BIERZO • CASTILE Y LEÓN

Bodegas Adriá's roots date to 1940 when Francisco Pérez Adriá, a native of Valencia, fell in love with Bierzo wines and founded his own bodega. Committed to the highest expressions of Bierzo, the modern estate was established in 2002 and inhabits a state-of-the-art facility; the original bodega still exists, located next door to the new facility on the outskirts of Villafranca del Bierzo along the pilgrimage route to Santiago de Compostela.

The Adriá estate includes fifty acres of 8-20 year-old vines, the majority planted to the white Godello, a noble but locally-scarce varietal. Old-vine Mencía from the best hillside regions is also contracted, subject to rigorous selection. The grapes are fermented with native yeasts under temperature control to maximize fruit intensity and flavor extract, resulting in full-bodied, richly textured reds expressing Bierzo's mineral soils and fresh climate.

VEGA MONTÁN MENCÍA

Tanzer's IWC on the 2008: 90 points "Shy at first, this Bierzo offers subtle red fruit flavors, then opens into a creamy, smooth texture. The finish balances acidity with sweet flavors that recall raspberries and caramel. A mencía to serve with braised tripe."

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