

## **Castillo de Cuzcurrita** SEÑORÍO DE CUZCURRITA DO Rioja Alta

Half an hour west of Haro, the hamlet of Cuzcurrita de Rio Tiron approaches the limit of D.O.C.A. La Rioja. The family business purchased a 14th-century castle and its tiny walled vineyard in the late 90s - hired Winemaker Ana Martin and built a gravity-fed winery in the highest elevation in Rioja Alta. Ana knew it would be a challenge but great things happen on the limits of agriculture. Señorío de Cuzcurrita is made from grapes from within the walled enclosure of the castle and other nearby vineyards. Altogether there are 61 acres.



**COUNTRY** Spain

**VARIETAL** Tempranillo

**SOIL TYPE** Gravel el terruño Clay-loam soils

**VINEYARD** 18.5 acres Planted "en vaso"

HARVEST Manual harvest Destemmed on a sorting table

## VINIFICATION

Gravity fed winery Stainless steel tanks fermentation Natural yeast Mallolactic in french oak barrells 18 months aging in same barrells Rock walls underground cellars Capture moisture from the soil 55,000 bottles

## TASTING NOTES

Because of the Marginal climate Cuzcurrita always has great acidity and the careful handling of the fruit and deft hand ofwine maker Ana Martin make this wines deep, fresh and elegant.