Banville
Wine Merchants

Villota

Selvanevada Blanco

Location: Laserna, a small village located on the Ebro River in the municipality of Laguardia, in the province of Álava. Rioja Alavesa sub-zone.

Vineyard: Finca San Rafael, owned and cultivated by the Villota family since the 1930's. The vineyard is distributed on three terraces that slope gently towards the Ebro River.

Viticulture: Traditional dry-farmed manual viticulture, without the use of systemic herbicides, fungicides, pesticides, or fertilizers. Vines cultivated primarily "en vaso" or goblet style head trained vines.

Winemaking: The grapes are fully destemmed following a rigorous sorting process. The grapes are pressed and after a brief cold settling in stainless steel the must is racked to French oak barrique, where the wine begins fermentation spontaneously. The wine does not go through malolactic fermentation.

Aging: The wine is aged for 6 months in barrique on its fine lees.

Grape varieties : Viura, Garnacha Blanca, Tempranillo Blanco, and Malvasía

Altitude : 340m-430m ASL

Vineyard age : Vines planted in 1930-1990

Soil : Primarily calcareous clay with low levels of organic material. The surface of the soil is littered with large pebbles and stones.

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Press Notes

Jeb Dunnuck
2022 91 points

James Suckling
2022 92 points

AG Vinous
2022 90 points