



## **OUR ESTATES**

The main asset of the winery is its vineyard. The estate has 105 Has. of which 60 are planted with vines. The main variety is Tinta del País (tempranillo) with one Ha. of Merlot. Of the 60 Ha., there are 1.5 Ha. that were planted 52 years ago, 0.5 planted 45 years ago, 4.3 planted 42 years ago, 5 planted 37 years ago, 4.7 planted 27 ago, and 12.6 planted 22 years ago. This old vineyard., adding 30 Ha. in total, will allow Bodegas y Viñedos O. Fournier to obtain high quality grapes for our top wines.

Additionally, there are 14 Ha. planted 12 years ago, 2.8 planted 6 years ago, 6.4 planted four years ago, 7.2 planted three years ago and 1.1 Ha. planted two years ago. The estate is within the Ribera del Duero D.O.

The soils at Finca El Pinar, are mostly pebblestone coming from the nearby Duero river. There are also certain parts of the estate with sandy soils. At between 60-100 cm., there is a clay layer that allows water retention from rainfall. The soil is extremely poor in organic material and with excellent drainage. Pebblestones also allow for better maturity of the grapes through heat radiation during the night time.

In light of the poorness of the soil, the age of the vineyard, the plant density and the pruning, yields never exceed 3,000 kg. per Ha. Our objective is to maintain them at 2,000 kg. per Ha. as it has been the case during the 2002 and 2003 vintages.

Our medium term objective is total control of our grape sourcing mainly through ownership of the vineyards or long term contracts with producers. Currently, the winery has closed a 10-year contract with an owner of 37 Has. of old vineyards in La Horra (Burgos) and 4 Has. in Gumiel de Hizán (Burgos).

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