

Bakeder 2019

Bakeder, pronounced back-aid-er, is a wine from Laguardia, a village from Rioja Alavesa. The name, "beautiful as peace" is a loose translation from the Basque language.

Let the Whole World know the beauty of the fortified medieval village of Laguardia, protected by its great sierra; its solemn churches and monuments; its historic vineyards, and of course, its magnificent wines.

Bakeder is a tribute to our car-free village of Laguardia. The antithesis of tannic concentration, it is profound, long and fine.



- **Type of wine:** Red wine from the village of Laguardia
- **Region of production:** Rioja Alavesa
- **Year:** 2019
- **CVNE vintage rating:** Excellent
- **Grape varieties:** 100% Tempranillo
- **Bottle type:** Burgundy
- **Bottle size:** 75cl.
- **Bottling date:** May 2021
- **Ageing and barrel type:** 11 months in French oak barrel

Analytical data

- **Alcoholic volume:** 13.75%
- **Volatile acidity:** 0.59
- **Total acidity:** 5.9
- **SO₂ Free/Total:** 35/99
- **pH:** 3.59
- **Total Polyphenols Index:** 71
- **Suitable for vegans**

The vineyard

A selection from our own two vineyards in Laguardia, San Ginés and Castejones. Total size of these vineyards is 8,78 hectares. We vinified the grapes at our Viña Real winery, also in Laguardia. Average vineyard age is about 30 years. Elevation is between 550 - 600 metres. Soils are mostly clay and limestone, poor and with limited water supply. Goblet trained as well as cordon royat trellised. Southern orientation, protected from the cool northern winds by the sierra Cantabria.

Winemaking

Temperature controlled in small stainless steel vats for 18 days. Malolactic fermentation in concrete tanks. Aged for 11 months in French oak barrels, clarified and bottled.

Vintage / Harvest description

Harvest started at Viña Real September 23rd, finished October 12th, slightly ahead of average. Healthy vines due to the good weather throughout the growing season. Low yield due to the high variations in temperature and rain between flowering and fruit set. Bunches were smaller, loose, not compact. A very healthy harvest, excellent in quality, smaller in quantity.

Tasting notes

Cherry red, violet nose, intense, tense, youthful. Aromatic, fresh red fruit, some licorice, the wood is there but you have to look for it. Once in the mouth you feel the structure, the volume, but its all restrained, the tannin is fine and the wine is long. So easy to drink. What it must have been like to drink 1920s Viña Real before beginning the lengthy barrel ageing. This is a complex wine with great ageing potential. It expresses our terroir from Laguardia, Rioja Alavesa.