

# BASICDATA

Area or Designation of Origin: D.O. Manzanilla Sanlúcar de Barrameda Type of wine: Manzanilla Grape variety: Palomino Fina 100%

#### **TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alcohol Content: 15.0% vol. Total acidity:  $4.0 \pm 0.5$  g/l tartaric acid pH:  $3.3 \pm 0.1$ Sulphurous total: Less than 50 mg/l Allergens: Sulphites

## **VINEYARDS AND HARVEST**

Vineyard: Gibalbin and Santa Lucía vineyards in Jerez Superior Number of hectares: 500 hectares Vineyard age: 30 years old Yield: 9.500 kgs/hectare Pruning: Double cordon Harvest style: Manual in bulk Start date: Usually midway through August

## **PRODUCTION AND AGEING**

Type of ageing: Biological Ageing System: Solera (A dynamic system allowing the fractional blending of younger wines in to older wines.) Ageing period: 8 years Locationof cellars: Sanlúcar de Barrameda Ageing cellars: 550 casks in two classes, in El Potro cellar. The second class is refilled with Solear which already has 6 years of ageing. For each 'saca' (extraction from the cask for bottling) we choose 15 casks to bottle 1500 liters.

Type of cask: Butt (500L) American oak Bottling date: 01/07/2024

**Production Process:** Once the fermentation of the Palomino must has finished, the most delicate of the wines are chosen and are fortified to bring the alcohol content up to 15% vol. The result is known as 'sobretablas', and this wine is destined for ageing in cask where it will develop a veil of yeast on the wine's surface called the flor.

Over time, the flor, formed by yeasts of the Saccharomyces Cerevisiae genus, transform the young wine into Manzanilla.

This Manzanilla is bottled four times a year, one for each of the different seasons. The different weather conditions of each season affect the growth of the flor and thus the flavour of the Manzanilla can vary depending on the time of year.

#### **The Purple Heron**

The Purple Heron (Ardea purpurea) is a large-sized bird. In adulthood, they have a distinctive plumage of dark purple colour, with the neck and head maintaining a lighter shade and sometimes featuring a white spot on the front of the neck. Juveniles have a more greyish plumage.

Wet areas of Doñana provide the ideal habitat for the feeding and reproduction of these birds.Purple Heron are easily spotted between the months of March and September.

## **TASTING NOTE**

A relatively dry and cool winter in Sanlucar has ensured excellent flor growth to produce a very smooth delicate Manzanilla Pasada Gold in colour, subtle saline nutty flavour, polished smoothness and long on the palate.

### SERVING SUGGESTIONS

With its golden yellow colour and its light, fragrant aromas, this pleasantly dry Manzanilla is the perfect accompaniment to tapas, appetizers and a range of starters such us Spanish cured ham, artichokes, asparagus, cold and hot soups, shellfish, salmon and herrings. Its unique flavour makes it the perfect accompaniment to a range of of other foods such as nuts, cod soufflés, melon with cured ham and mild cheeses. Particularly good with caviar or anchovies as the Manzanilla imparts fresh and delicate flavours to counteract their saltiness.

## FORMAT

375 ml. bottles in boxes of 6.



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