



GALIA

Galia Villages

Jerome Bougnaud is in the fourth generation of a family of winegrowers from the Cognac region in France. Despite his roots and formal training in France, he has made a name for himself in Spain where he's worked closely with Peter Sisseck at Quinta Sardonía and Pingus as well as El Regajal in the D.O. of Vinos de Madrid. A true vigneron at heart, he is equally comfortable in the vineyards as well as the cellar. His years of experience in the Duero led to the creation of Galia in 2009 – a personal project he formed with the technical director of El Regajal, Daniel Garcia Pita.

The foundation of Galia is a collection of vineyards along the Duero in the provinces of Soria, Burgos and Valladolid. These are old vineyards ranging in elevation from 795 to close to 1000 meters above sea level. Because these scattered plots were chosen for their potential, rather than their geographic proximity, Galia is bottled as a Vino de Mesa. In fact because many of these sites were located outside the borders of established D.O.s, they might have been lost to future generations had Jerome not decided to utilize them for his project.

Galia is always a Tempranillo-based wine with about 7% Garnacha and a tiny amount of Albillo. Each site is harvested by hand and fermented by indigenous yeasts at the small winery located in Villanueva de Duero. The Garnacha is fermented whole cluster while the Tempranillo ferments with about 30% whole clusters. After primary fermentation, the wine is transferred to 600L French oak barrels (15% new) where it ages for 19 months before being bottled unfined and unfiltered.

ORIGIN

Spain

APPELLATION

Vino de Mesa

SOIL

Clay limestone, sand, gravel

AGE OF VINES

50-100+

ELEVATION

795-1000 meters

VARIETIES

Tempranillo, Garnacha, Albillo

FARMING

Practicing organic

FERMENTATION

Hand harvested, whole cluster or partial whole cluster natural fermentation in tank, oak vats and concrete tanks

AGING

19 months in 600L French oak barrels and demi-muids (15% new)

ACCOLADES

95 – 2015 Galia Villages – Wine Advocate

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