

R. LÓPEZ DE HEREDIA VIÑA TONDONIA

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THE WINERY, FOUNDED IN 1877

Founded in 1877, R. López de Heredia stands as a testament to the enduring legacy of traditional winemaking. Established by Don Rafael López de Heredia, this esteemed winery adheres to principles set forth in the 1880s, crafting wines exclusively from their own vineyards. This commitment ensures a deep connection to the land and a consistency of quality that spans generations.

At López de Heredia, the winemaking process remains largely unchanged since its inception. Vineyard work is meticulously carried out by hand, respecting the terroir and enhancing grape quality naturally.

His dedication to traditional methods extends to the aging process, where wines rest in historic underground cellars for a minimum of 3 to 10 years. Crianza wines mature for at least 3 years, while Gran Reservas undergo extended aging up to 10 years, developing complexity and depth. globally

Recognized for its unwavering commitment to heritage, López de Heredia exemplifies the intersection of tradition and excellence in winemaking. Each bottle reflects not only the craftsmanship and patience instilled by its founders but also a profound respect for the environment and the unique characteristics of Rioja Alta.

Viña Cubillo Crianza, 2018 (red)



HISTORY: R. López de Heredia, founded in 1877, preserves tradition with meticulous vineyard practices and extended aging in historic cellars, crafting renowned wines from their 59 acres in the Cubillo vineyard in Rioja Alta, Spain.

TECHNICAL TASTE:

Region/ Sub-Region: Spain, Rioja, Rioja D.O.C

Alcohol: 13.5%.

Variety: 65% Tempranillo, 25% Garnacho, 5% Graciano and 5% Mazuelo, from ancient vines. End September-early October, all done by hand, cutting with a curved knife "corquete". With an alluvial clay and limestone soil.

Aging: Aged for 3 years in 225L American oak barrels handmade by López de Heredia coopers, with bi-annual racking. Further aged for at least 3 years in bottle before release.

Tasting Notes:

Dark deep ruby color with garnet rim. Terrific nose of leather, black cherry, dried raspberries, and spice. Full palate with complex development, well-balanced with firm tannins. Notes of red and black fruits with earthy undertones.

International Wine Report: Awarded 92+ points, Viña Cubillo Crianza 2013 opens with aromas of tart cherries, raspberries, spices, wild herbs, orange peel, licorice, and hints of leather. Medium-bodied with fine tannins, it shows notable vibrancy and is accessible now with potential for further aging.

Wine Advocate: Awarded 92+ points, Viña Cubillo Crianza 2013 from a challenging vintage is classical and developed, displaying austerity and a polished palate after three years in barrel, surpassing expectations for the vintage.