



Descendientes De Jose Palacios

OVERVIEW

Established: 1998 (First Vintage: 1999)

Proprietors & Winemakers: Ricardo Perez and Alvaro Palacios

Bierzo is located in Spain's relatively cool northwestern corner. The best vineyards - located around the town of Corullon - are located on steep hillsides in the mountains on the western boundary of Bierzo.

VINEYARD INFORMATION

Soils: A mix of rocky, slate vineyards on steep slopes.

Appellation: DO Bierzo

Elevation: 500 to 950 meters above sea level

Harvest: by hand

Avg. Yields: Less than 25 hL/hA

Climate: Continental, but with an important Atlantic influence.

Oak Aging: A mix of barrique, demi-muid, and large cask is employed. New wood usage varies by year, with more in warm vintages and less in classic years.

THE WINES

	Fruit Source	Blend	Oak Aging	Avg Yields	Prod
Petalos del Bierzo	50% of the fruit comes from slate vineyards in Corullon, and the other 50% is selected from hill crest vineyards in surrounding towns.	95% Mencia, 3% white varieties, and 2% other red varieties.	10 months in large oak tanks.	n/a	30,000 cases
Bierzo "Corullon"	Over 200 small estate parcels throughout the municipality of Corullon.	97% Mencia & 3% white varieties.	n/a	14.5 hl/ha	1,500 cases

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ADDITIONAL WINEMAKING NOTES

No filtration or fining

Harvesting by hand, with a varying percent of stems used each year.

Maceration: 25-35 days

Fermentation in open top fermenters

Biodynamic viticulture.

Vineyards worked by hand and mule.

THE "PARCELS"

Limited-production cuvées from parcels with singular terroirs in Corullon.

THE "PARCELS"

	Fruit Source	Blend	Avg Yields	Prod
Bierzo "Moncerbal"	Selected from an extremely steep, southwest facing vineyard. 610-750M in elevation.	98% Mencia & 2% white varieties.	10.5 hl/ha	175 cases
Bierzo "Las Lamas"	Selected from an extremely steep, south facing vineyard. 670-730M in elevation.	98% Mencia & 2% Alicante Bouschet.	13.5 hl/ha	185 cases
Bierzo "La Faraona"	Highest vineyard in Corullon (855 M). Schist w/sandstone and volcanic minerals. SE facing.	100% Mencia	6.2 hl/ha	65