

Descendientes de J. Palacios



TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Descendientes de J. Palacios is located in Bierzo, in Spain's relatively-cool northwest corner. The best vineyards –located around the town of Corullón—are found on steep hillsides on the mountainous western boundary of the appellation. Soils are a mix of rocky, slate vineyards on steep slopes with volcanic minerals in some sites. These hard-to-reach vineyards are worked by hand or mule, and the estate employs biodynamic viticulture methods.

Established: 1998 (First Vintage: 1999)

Proprietors/Winemakers: Ricardo Perez and Alvaro Palacios

Appellation: Bierzo

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THE WINES

	Vineyard & Grapes	Winemaking	Production (Ave.)
Petalos del Bierzo	Assorted hillside, slate vineyards from Corullón and surrounding towns. 95% Mencia, with 5% other indigenous red and white varieties.	The wine is aged in large oak vats for 10 months to give it immediate appeal, while still retaining the estate's signature finesse and restraint.	30,000 cases
Corullón	An assemblage from over 200 small, estate parcels throughout the town of Corullón. The blend is 97% Mencia with 3% white varieties.	Between 10% and 30% whole clusters are used, and maceration lasts from 45-90 days. The wines are aged in a mix of barrel sizes; from barrique up to foudre, with 15-20% new wood.	1,500 cases
Moncerbal	From an extremely steep, southwest facing vineyard of 610-750M in elevation. 98% Mencia with 2% white, indigenous varieties.	Between 10% and 30% whole clusters are used, and maceration lasts from 45-90 days. The wines are aged in a mix of barrel sizes; from barrique up to foudre, with 15-20% new wood.	175 cases
Las Lamas	Selected from an extremely steep, south facing vineyard. 670-730M in elevation. 98% Mencia & 2% Alicante Bouschet.	Between 10% and 30% whole clusters are used, and maceration lasts from 45-90 days. The wines are aged in a mix of barrel sizes; from barrique up to foudre, with 15-20% new wood.	185 cases
La Faraona	From the highest vineyard in Corullón –855M in elevation. This is from a southeast facing slope of schist soils with sandstone and volcanic minerals. 100% Mencia.	Between 10% and 30% whole clusters are used, and maceration lasts from 45-90 days. The wines are aged in a mix of barrel sizes; from barrique up to foudre, with 15-20% new wood.	65 cases