

EL JARDÍN DE LA EMPERATRIZ BLANCO 2025

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

A warm vintage, though without reaching the extreme levels of 2022 and 2023. June was particularly hot, followed by an intense heatwave during the first half of August. From that point on, temperatures moderated, and September and October were characterized by mild days and cool nights, promoting a slow and even ripening of the grapes.

Spring rainfall was above average, while the summer remained dry. At Finca La Emperatriz, two significant hailstorms occurred on June 3 and 24, causing substantial loss in quantity, although fortunately without affecting quality, resulting in a production reduction of 60-70%. The rainy spring also led to high pressure from downy mildew throughout the denomination, which was fortunately brought under control by the end of the season. Downy mildew additionally contributed to a widespread reduction in production across the region.

Vintage 2025

Harvest Hand-picked, from 17th to 24th September.

Varietals 100% Viura.

Wine-making After a gentle pressing in an inert atmosphere, the free-run juice remains on its lees for 36 hours to enhance its aromatic complexity. It is then racked and fermentation takes place in a cement tank at a controlled temperature of between 15°C and 16°C. Except for 5% of the wine, which ferments in used French oak barrels, adding volume and creaminess to the wine. Once fermentation is complete and after the first racking, the wine remains in contact with the lees, undergoing weekly bâtonnage until blending prior to bottling.

Analysis

Alcohol	PH	Total acidity	Volatile acidity
13,4% vol.	3,31	6,1 g/l	0,13 g/l

Production 46,500 bottles of 75 cl.



RATINGS



Wine Advocate, 2026

91 points

ORIGIN

Region D.O.Ca Rioja, Rioja Alta.

Terroir Impressive terroir with a layer of large white pebbles to a depth of about 40 cm, covering a loose, sandy sub-soil. An ideal soil to grow vines, as it has excellent drainage, plenty of light and the roots are well placed to receive all the nutrients they require. The wines produced from this type of soil are fine and elegant.

Vineyard Mostly bush vines -80%- with an average age of 65 years, along with 20% of trellis vines.

Yields of 4,900 kg/ha (34,3 hl/ha).



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