

EL JARDÍN DE LA EMPERATRIZ TINTO 2022

CLIMATE CONDITIONS

The cold outset of spring delayed budbreak for about 10-15 days compared to what is considered usual at the estate. However, May gave way to an exponential increase in temperatures, with a first very early heat wave, taking place in the middle of flowering period.

Undoubtedly, a clear announcement of what would be the summer of this vintage, marked by successive heat waves that were also characterized by their long duration, inflicting a pronounced hydric stress to the vines. This inevitably caused summer season to be flagged by a very significant drought, with rainfall during vegetative period - from April to October - 60% below the average for the area where the vineyard is located.

High temperatures throughout the summer and water scarcity resulted in a higher concentration and lower natural acidity, which in the case of Finca La Emperatriz was less pronounced thanks to the estate's location. These same conditions also marked an early start to the harvest season compared to what is usual in the region.

Vintage 2022

Harvest Hand-picked, between the 20th of September and the 6th of October.

Varietals 81% Tempranillo, 19% Garnacha.

Wine-making Fermentation in steel and concrete vats.

Ageing 15 months in French and American oak barrels.

Analysis

Alcohol	PH	Total acidity	Volatile acidity
14,4 % vol.	3,63	5,5 g/l	0,51 g/l

Production 135,000 bottles of 75cl., 4,400 Magnum.

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 Trellised vines with an average age of 25 years. With the same type of soil, gravel and pebbles on surface. At 570 meters altitude.

Yields of 5,700 kg/ha (36,30 hl/ha).



RATINGS

	Wine Advocate, 2026	91 points
JAMESSUCKLING.COM	James Suckling, 2025	91 points
	Rioja Report, 2026	92 points



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