



## PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Bodegas Borsao SA Winemaker: Jose Luis Chueca Total acreage under vine: 5584 Estate founded: 2001 Region: DO Campo de Borja Country: Spain

# Zarihs by Borsao 2017

### WINE DESCRIPTION

100 % Syrah from the Campo de Borja DO in northeastern Spain. Located between the Sierra de Moncayo mountain range and the Ebro River valley, this historic region has produced wine since the late 12th century. The continental climate is mitigated by the "cierzo" wind that cools the vineyards nightly.

Syrah was planted 16 years ago in the foothills of the Moncayo to take advantage of the soil, sun and the uniqueness of the Cierzo, which freshens the grapes from bloom to peak maturity. The vines are 600-700 meters above sea level, in limestone soil, giving the Syrah a pleasant acidity.

The maceration is between 1- 2 days and the total fermentation takes 10-12 days in stainless steel tanks at a controlled temperature of 22 ° to 28 °. At that time 40% of the wine is aged in new American oak barrels for 12 months, and other in stainless steel tank.

#### TASTING NOTES

Appearance: Opaque red-black. Crimson-purple rim. Aroma: Powerful impression of blackberries, with a hint of wood smoke and sweet vanilla. The nose begins to open up and develops notes of dark chocolate. Palate: The initial impact is very full bodied, with a plush, soft structure. Flavours of dark berries dominate; wild blackberries and dried plums, with notes of espresso coffee.

#### FOOD PAIRING

Rice based dishes like paella, beef, pork, pasta, grilled vegetables.

## **VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO**

Soil composition: Clay, Gravel, Pebbly, and Stony

Elevation: 1,200-2,400 feet Exposure: Northern / Southern

Harvest time: Late October/Early November

First vintage of this wine: 2013

### WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Syrah

Fermentation container: Stainless steel tanks

Length of alcoholic fermentation: 10-12 days Fermentation temperature: 71-82 °F Malolactic fermentation: Yes Type of aging container: Barrels Size of aging container: 225 I Age of aging container: New Type of oak: American Prefermentation technique: Cold maceration Total SO2: 73 mg/L

#### ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol: 15.3% pH level: 3.62 Residual sugar: 2.2 g/L Acidity: 5.2 g/L Dry extract: 31 g/L

