Cuesta de las Liebres 2015 defines the virtues of this steep slope and the extreme viticulture we develop here. Vines grown in a vertical cup shape, surrounded by low brush. We want to underline the complexity and strength of this wine with which we feel that, vintage after vintage, we are reaching new levels of commitment to nature, our land and its history. The birthplace of an exciting Tempranillo. Our most precise and pure vineyard. Made only in unique harvests. Our viticulture takes on the challenge of a tale of equality between human beings and nature. A radical wine from the start. Powerful and very persistent. An authentic wine.

## CUESTA DE LAS LIEBRES 2015

FAMILY OWNED WINERY SINCE 1987 PRODUCED AND BOTTLED AT THE SOURCE ORIGIN · SOUL · EMOTION



## An atypical vintage of extraordinary quality

We could highlight the 2015 vintage for its atypical ripening cycle. The winter was not particularly cold and had little rainfall. This all resulted in the first shoots emerging at the end of March. The rise in temperatures and increased rainfall resulted in the vines beginning to sprout generally in April. In the second half of May, there were several days of severe frost with an uneven incidence in each of the plots; reducing the yield of the vineyards and favoring concentration. The scarcity of rain in the final months of the ripening cycle, together with the high average temperatures, brought a calm and orderly harvest, which began on September 24 and ended on October 15. of which we highlight the great quality and excellent health of the grape.

## The power of the plot

Planted in vertical cup, the vines of Cuesta de las Liebres rise up a steep slope. In the high part they are bordered with a dense pine forest, which several species of birds and mammals of the native fauna inhabit. It is our great landscape, where the Tempranillo shows its



purest expression. The soil is loamy limestone, with outcrops of calcium salts with a very characteristic whitish tone. This tertiary geology, together with the extreme climate typical of the plateau, are essential elements for the vineyard to transmit a character full of energy and authenticity.

## The character of a small redoubt

As with each vintage, and after a first selection in the vineyard, we harvested by hand and moved the grapes in boxes of reduced volume to the winery, where they passed through a cold chamber and a selection table. We moved the grape using exclusively the force of gravity. The alcoholic and malolactic fermentations were carried out in small wooden vats, with native yeasts and microbiota from our estate to show and highlight the personality of the terroir. The wine remained in new extra-fine grain French oak barrels for 24 months. The harvest of Cuesta de las Liebres 2015 was bottled in spring 2018.