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TEMPRANILLO ROSE SINGLE VINEYARD FARMED ORGANIC FAMILY OWNED ONE LITER!



GROWERS

El Jefe [grande] is a one liter bottle of Tempranillo ROSE produced from a single estate in Castilla y Leon (Zamorra) just south of Toro. The family has been growing grapes in this region for three generations. They are pioneers in understanding the local clone of Tempranillo known as Tinta de Toro and they time their harvest to bring out the natural elegance and freshness of this grape.

LAND

180 acre vineyard planted at 2,400 feet in the northern table lands of Spain known as "La Meseta" of Castilla y Leon. The property is North of the ancient city of Salamanca and just south th Ebro River and the city of Toro. Climate is Continental with long cold winters and a short but intense summer like a high plains Desert and the soil has a top layer of clay, chalk and sand with a deep layer of ferrous clay that retains water easily allowing vines to weather the hot dry summer.

FARMING

Trellised vines farmed in the south facing sloping vineyard located within a mountain bowl. Farmed naturally without any chemicals, and just enough drip irrigation to reduce stress and keep fruit character. Harvested early for freshness and expression of fruit.

WINE

Berries are harvested earlier in the season to preserve purity of fruit, subtle flavors and bright acidity. After a short maceration - free run juice is fermented in stainless steel tanks at low temperature. The result is a bright Rose with strawberry, red current and and soft cranberry tannins. 100% Tinta de Toro (local clone of Tempranillo) - 750 cases made.

El Jefe (grande) is the Big Boss, we know who they are. So here's to them: an honest and solid red wine- deep, fresh and flexible enough to handle most days.

PAIRING

Sunny days and bad weather - friends + boring people.



