



DECLARATION OF EXCELLENT 2019 RIOJA VINTAGE

We just had to share the news that the Consejo Regulador, the Control Board which oversees DOC Rioja, has declared the 2019 vintage to be EXCELLENT.

This conclusion was made after a rigorous analysis of all the wines made in the Denomination, more than 4,500 samples were taken and then tasted by a panel of 150 professionals. What makes this even more significant is the fact the last time this milestone occurred was in 2011.





We spoke to our Rioja producer; Ortega Ezquerro and winemaker David Bastida, has told us about their excellent 2019 vintage:

Vineyards

2019 was a dry year in general. We had good water at the end of winter and spring, but the summer was very hot and dry. This harsh weather lead to a reduced quantity of healthy grapes and the harvest was 30% shorter than usual.

Oenology

The vines have produced healthy and fruity wines with an average of between 1 and a half an alcoholic degree above normal, depending on the areas and varieties.

We have been blessed with a healthy harvest that gives quality wines with great aging potential but still incredibly pleasant to enjoy if drunk young.

To view our full range of Rioja from Ortega Ezquerro, please click **here**