



**BODEGAS BHILAR**

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# SAN JULIÁN

2016

**Type:** Red Wine

**Appellation:** D.O.Ca. Rioja (sub-region: Rioja Alavesa)

**Varieties:** 77% Tempranillo, 14% Graciano, 2% Garnacha, 7% Viura

**Number of bottles:** 960

## VINEYARD

A small .6 ha vineyard isolated on a steeply graded hill. Its uneven surfaces and secluded location is perfect for Biodynamic farming with plow horses. Pure limestone soils and an east-facing orientation keeps the vineyard fresh and cool. This vineyard offers a glimpse into the past; an image of what the vineyards of Rioja Alavesa looked like one-hundred years ago.

## HARVEST AND PRODUCTION

Hand-harvested in 10 kg cases, the grapes are hand selected and placed in open top barrels with the use of 40% full cluster. The wine is foot crushed and fermented without the addition of yeasts. It matured in 225-liter French barriques for one year.

## TASTING NOTES

Balsamic and aromatic notes of dry herbs and sweet spices. The palate reveals very fine, abundant tannins and vibrant freshness.



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