



BODEGAS MUSTIGUILLO

Mestizaje Blanco 2013

the growers

Consider this a reintroduction to Bobal, and its champion, Toni Sarrion. In the late 1990's, Toni began a one man crusade to save this indigenous variety and coax it from obscurity and rusticity to the forefront of truly world class wines. Ever evolving and pushing the quality level forward, the NEW releases from Mustiguillo show their recent move in the cellar away from the use of overt American oak as seen in previous vintages in favor of concrete and French oak for wines of finesse & balance, realizing the potential of Bobal from the unique terroir of El Terrerazo. Mustiguillo has been recently recognized for their extraordinary efforts by *Wine & Spirits* as one of the Top 100 Wineries of 2012.

their land

Spain | El Terrerazo

One of only fourteen *Vino de Pagos* in Spain, El Terrerazo was granted DOP status in 2010. At an altitude of 800-824 meters, the estate is comprised of 89 hectares of contiguous vineyards on primarily limestone soils. The climate is Mediterranean with a strong continental influence with drastic diurnal shifts in temperature and contrasting winds from the sea to the east and hot La Mancha to the west.

the wine

70% Merseguera, 15% Viognier, 15% Malvasia

Say it with us, mest-i-zah-hay. From the almost lost indigenous variety, Merseguera, these estate vines are grown organically at Finca Calvestra, at over 900 meters altitude. These vines were grafted onto existing Bobal vines (of over 40 years) where the Bobal could not reach maturity due to the altitude. Aged sur lies in stainless steel.

in the glass

The Viognier is immediately apparent on the nose with apricot, tropical fruit and honey while underlying notes of white peach, scented flowers and citrus hints creep in from the Merseguera. The tightwire balance between the fleshy Viognier/Malvasia and taut Merseguera continue on the medium-bodied palate with a fresh, fruity and floral attack and an unctuous mid palate that is kept in check by bracing acidity. Truly one of a kind, Mestizaje shows its unique personality is this pleasant, crispy, imminently friendly wine.

