**VIÑEDOS DE ALFARO launches CANTERABUEY: The first wine recognised as *Viñedo Singular* by the DOC Rioja.**

In 2017 *The Rioja Regulatory Board* approved the creation of a brand new category called *Viñedos Singulares* with the aim to single out wines of superior quality. The wines have to come from a single vineyard with differentiating characteristics versus other vineyards in the neighbourhood. Among others, the following criteria must be met:

Minimum age of the vines: 35 years-old

Maximum production per hectare: 5.000 kilos for red grapes.

The vineyard must be treated with care and following sustainable policies.

Manual harvest

After two years of paperwork, in July 2019 the first list of *Viñedos Singulares* was revealed, but that is not enough. A special tasting panel set by the Board must taste and give an A to the wine before it is released to the market.

CANTERABUEY

*Canterabuey* is the first wine approved by the tasting board and therefore the first included in the new DOC Rioja *Viñedos Singulares’* category.

*Canterabuey* is made out of 100% garnacha grapes, coming from a plot of 3.5 hectares planted in 1975 and located in a very dry area with poor, alluvial soils in the Rioja Oriental subregion. The wine has aged for 16 months in french and american oak barrel. Total production for this first vintage is 7.496 bottles.

*Canterabuey* has a clean, intense ruby-red colour. Very fragrant nose, with notes of ripe black fruit (blackcurrant, blackberries), surrounded by balsamic notes coming from aromatic herbs and slightly toasted hints. Powerful and well-structured in the palate, with a lingering finish.

*Canterabuey* is one of the four wines that forms COLECCIÓN RAICES. Under this name we include only the limited production wines, with distinctive personality and coming exclusively from a single plot or vineyard that gives the name to the wine. The other three wines being LAS PLANAS Blanco de Viura Reserva, LA LOBERA Cuatro Varietales and RODILES Graciano.

Viñedos de Alfaro is a estate winery founded in 1974 and located in Rioja Oriental. Our wines are sold under the brand REAL AGRADO and made only with the grapes coming from the 100 hectares of vineyards we own surrounding the winery.

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