

# El Castañal



Casar de Burbia



Bierzo DO

## RATINGS HISTORY

- 92** Robert Parker (WA)  
vntg 2020
- 93** Robert Parker (WA)  
vntg 2019
- 93** James Suckling  
vntg 2016
- 94** Decanter  
vntg 2014



## GRAPE VARIETY

100% Mencia.

## ALCOHOL %

14.5%

## TERROIR

Age: More than 100 years old.

Soil: Poor soil rich in quartz and slate.

Altitude (m): 800.

Certified organic grapes.

Hand harvested.

## VINIFICATION

Wine is made in a completely traditional way, from the harvest to the grain-by-grain destemming. Fermentation in open French oak vats, where the unpressed grapes are introduced together with dry ice, making a pseudo carbonic maceration to enhance the fruitiest part of the plot.

## AGING

Aged in French oak barrels, looking for a fine and subtle contribution of the wood, for approximately 14 months, during which time the mineral traits of the wine settle until a rich subtlety and elegance are achieved.

## PAIRING

Perfect with game, roasts and cured meats, burgers or cheese. Also perfect for any kind of stew.

## TASTING NOTES

A rich and flavorful red with crushed berries, cherries and hints of lightly toasted oak. Full body. Silky tannins and an intense finish. The tannins are nicely integrated here, as well as the oak.