



# PREMIUM RANGE

#### **BASIC DATA**

Denomination: D.O. Jerez - Xérès - Sherry

Type of wine: Fino Grape variety: Palomino Fino

## **TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS**

Alcohol Content: 15.0% vol.

Total acidity:  $4.5 \pm 0.5$  g/l tartaric acid

PH: 3.1 ± 0.1 Residual sugar: Trace

#### **VINEYARDS AND HARVEST**

Vineyard: Gibalbín and Santa Lucía vineyards in Jerez Superior

Number of hectares: 400 hectares Vineyard age: 20 years old Yield: 9.500 Kgs/hectare

Specific soil type: A white, chalky soil known as Albariza

Pruning: "Stick and thumb" / Double cordon

Specific microclimate: Vineyards located inland on a site that promotes the proper ripening of the grapes.

Harvest style: Manual in bulk

Start date: Usually midway through August

Duration: 17 days

#### VINIFICATION

Tanks: Stainless steel with a capacity of 400.000 litres

Temperature: 18° Time: 10 days

Yeast: Indigenous and selected by the vinery

## PRODUCTION AND AGEING

Type of ageing: Biological

System: Criaderas and Solera (A dinamic system allowing the traditional blending of new wine with older wines)

Ageing period: 3 years

Location of cellars: Sanlúcar de Barrameda

Ageing cellars: El Potro, La Caridad, San Guillermo and Pastora.

Total casks: 4.255

Type of cask: Typical Jerez bota made from American oak

Production process: Once the fermentation of the Palomino must has finished, the most delicate of the wines are chosen and are fortified with a wine-based distilled spirit to bring the alcohol content up to 15% vol. The result is known as sobretablas, and this wine is destined for ageing in typical Jerez casks of 500 litres where it will develop a cream, or veil, on the surface called the flor. Over time, this veil, formed by yeast of the Saccharomyces Cerevisiae genus, transforms the sobretablas into Manzanilla. The ageing system is characterized by the carful extraction of wine and the consequent topping up of the various cask in the individual wine cellars, traditionally know in Jerez as the sacas and rocios. The percentage amount of wine moved to and from each barrel and the frequency at which this takes place is essential to its success.

## **TASTING NOTES**

Straw yellow in colour. The classis fino aromas are revealed on the nose; nuts, olives and the evocative suggestion of a patient ageing process. In the mouth it is sharp and exhibits full body and perfect balance.

### **SERVING SUGGESTIONS**

The perfect accompaniment to tapas, appetizers and a range of started such as Spanish cured ham, mild cheeses and asparagus, cold or hot soups, shellfish, salmon and herrings. For something new, try it with Japonese food. Serve very cold at a temperature of  $6^{\circ}$  -  $8^{\circ}$  and always in a white wine glass, even when being enjoyed as an aperitif.

#### **FORMAT**

75 cl. bottles in boxes of 6.

