



BRAND INFORMATION



BRAND HISTORY

- ◆ Founded in 1998 by famed winemaker Peter Sisseck (owner of Dominio de Pingus and PSI), Quinta Sardonía is located within the “Golden Mile” of the Duero River that stretches across northern Spain.
- ◆ Peter designed and supervised the creation of Quinta Sardonía, planting select red Bordeaux varietals just outside of the D.O. Ribera del Duero, insuring he and winery’s future winemakers would not be bound by the rigid guidelines governing neighboring appellations.
- ◆ The wines produced at Quinta Sardonía are classified as a *Vino de la Tierra de Castilla y Leon*, or ‘Wine from the Land of Castilla y Leon.’ Each bottling is considered to be a ‘multi-terroir, multi-varietal’ masterpiece, highly rated and in a class of their own.
- ◆ Today, the winery is owned by the Fonseca family, who also govern Bodegas Terras Gauda in Galicia. Peter’s former apprentice, Christian Rey, serves as the winery’s head winemaker and viticulturist.

FEATURES AND BENEFITS

- ◆ Christian Rey, a leading expert on Spanish biodynamic viticulture is dedicated to organic and biodynamic winemaking, and ensures the upmost quality and attention to detail in each and every bottle he makes.
- ◆ Terroir-driven wines are hand crafted using eight exceptional varieties, resulting in inimitable blends that convey the richness and complexity of the Duero River Valley

COMPETTITIVE SET

- ◆ Palacio de Arganza, Bodegas y Vinedos, Luna Beberide, Bodegas Alta Pavina, Bodega Tridente, Bodegas Aalto, Mauro



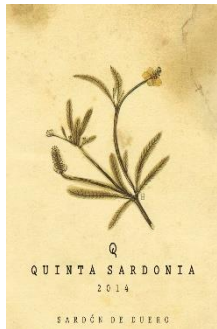


KEY SELLING POINTS



CASTILLA Y LEÓN
RED BLEND, SARDÓN

- ◆ Considered to be one of the finest entry-level wines made within the Duero River Valley, this wine was first produced in 2014 by famed winemaker Peter Sisseck. Head-pruned and trellised grapes are planted in small plots and each variety is hand-harvested separately to preserve aromatic maturity and natural acidity.
- ◆ Comprising 90-95% Tempranillo, which is blended with a 5-10% mix of Garnacha Tinta, Syrah, Malbec, Cabernet Sauvignon or Albillo in any given vintage. Varieties grown in the same soil type are often co-fermented and extraction is kept to a minimum. Wine is fermented with wild yeast strains in order to preserve the best aromatic aspects, and over 20 micro-fermentations are performed each year.
- ◆ After vinification, the different varieties used in making this blend are then aged in a unique combination of neutral French oak barrels, 1,200-liter *foudres*, concrete eggs and small stainless steel tanks. Each lot is carefully monitored, blended and homogenized in one large concrete tank a few weeks prior to bottling.
- ◆ Fresh, fruity, and aromatic with notes of fresh forest berries, red licorice, chocolate-covered cherries and sweet spice. Incredibly layered and complex for an entry-level Spanish wine.
- ◆ **v. 2014: 90 pts *Wine Advocate***



CASTILLA Y LEÓN
RED BLEND, QUINTA SARDONIA

- ◆ The estate's flagship wine, named after a local medicinal plant.
- ◆ Hand crafted from 100% biodynamic, estate-grown fruit planted at 1,600 feet in elevation and less than a mile from the banks of the Duero River.
- ◆ Comprising of a unique blend of indigenous French and Spanish clonal selections, chosen by the legendary Peter Sisseck, each vintage contains an important backbone of 60+% Tempranillo combined with a 30%+ blend of Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Cabernet Franc, Petite Verdot, Syrah and Malbec.
- ◆ Handpicked clusters are harvested at the peak of ripeness and undergo a spontaneous fermentation with wild yeast strains in small stainless steel tanks. The individual varieties are then aged in 225 or 600L French oak barrels, 1,200 L *foudres* or concrete eggs for 6-7 months and then blended together and aged for an additional 12 months in new & first-year 225L and 600L barrels. Incredibly limited production of only 1,600 9L cs./year.
- ◆ Complex aromas of ripe red and black ripe fruit, wet flint, fresh tobacco and nutmeg abound on the nose and palate. Seductive, dense and elegant, rivals the best Bordeaux blends.
- ◆ Six consecutive vintages scoring >92 points from The Wine Advocate.
- ◆ **v. 2013 94 pts. *Wine Advocate***