Valduero 2017 Yunquera (Albillo) White

WineWise Code	SVA-YUN17
Country	Spain
Region	Ribera del Duero
Subregion	Castilla y Leon
Color	White
Alcohol by Volume	12.5
Acidity	5.5
Residual Sugar	1.4
Closure	Natural Cork
Annual cases produced	5,000
Varieties	Abillo 100%
Maceration Notes	7 days in cold fermentation
Pumpover or Punchdown?	6 punchdown/day in fermentation
Filtered?	Yes
Fining agents	Bentonite
Yeast	Cultured
Malolactic	No
Added Sulfur	Yes, 30 mg/L
Vineyard Name	La Yunquera
Elevation (meters)	815
Vineyard Aspect	North
Vine age (years)	12
Vine Yields hl/ha	2,600
Farming practices	Organic
Grape Picking	Hand-harvested



Notes from the producer:

The winery was founded in 1984 by the sisters García-Viadero and is today the SECOND LARGEST LAND OWNER in Ribera del Duero, with 230 Ha of truly exceptional vineyard, highly valued and with a large quantity of old vines. We have exclusively vine planted in bush, ecological (no irrigation, no use of chemicals nor sulphates) and handled 100% manually, only with natural viticulture practices.

- -Valduero has always been focused on producing PREMIUM RESERVAS. Each one is EXCEPTIONALLY AGED REMAINING IN high quality barrels FROM DIFFERENT ORIGINS .
- Evidence of that is that all our wines has been rated between 92 and 98 points by WS, Decanter, WA, Vinum, W&S, Tim Atkin .etc
- -We are also the only Winery in the region, that produces WHITE WINES from the autochthonous Albillo grape, all from our own vineyards.

WineWise Notes:

This, the solitary white wine that they produce, is a head-turner. The Albillo is an autochthonous variety that renders a golden-hued, fullish dry white with a startlingly floral aroma not unlike Viognier. This is the ninth vintage we have imported of a unique wine that has developed a devoted following in California.

Valduero's tendency towards a finesse and style unusual in RibeAlthough Ribera del Duero is now well established in international markets, one forgets how comparatively new the DO is - the Valduero estate, established in 1984, was only the sixth in the appellation at the time! During the intervening 25 years, they have built up an impressive resume as a winery offering quality and value from grapes sourced from their 200 hectares of bush-trained, low yielding vineyards. The sisters Yolanda and Caroline García, daughters of founder Gregorio García Alvarez, run an impressive operation, that goes from strength to strength.

