



## QUIRUS

### Tempranillo Blanco 2020



**Bodegas Quiroga de Pablo** – Currently owned by its 6<sup>th</sup> generation, Bodegas Quiroga de Pablo has been growing grapes and producing wine in their estate since 1850. The original winery was built 25 to 35 feet underground and is still in use. Harvesting is done by hand with up to three passes through the vineyard to select grapes based on their optimal ripeness. Hence the harvesting operation runs from August to October. After fermentation, the wines are aged in different types (oak, toast, age, etc.) of oak casks. The coupage is done from different casks of the same vintage and bottle-aged in the underground cellar's ideal temperature, light and humidity conditions.

**Tasting notes:** Straw yellow color with green reflections. Elegant and intense aromatics on the nose, combining tropical and citrus fruits, complemented with white fruit and flowers. Fresh, well balanced, with a long and pleasant finish.

**Appellation:** DOC Rioja Alta

**Grapes:** 100% Tempranillo Blanco

**Soil:** Mixed with a high concentration of clay, iron, limestone, and stones.

**Elevation:** 2125 to 2300 feet

**Vineyard practice:** Dry farming and organic without certification.

**Vine Age:** 5 to 10 years      **Yield:** 2.58 tons per acre

**Harvest Dates:** End of August to end of October.

**Winemakers:** 6<sup>th</sup> generation siblings Juan Luis and Maite Quiroga

**Fermentation:** 14 days alcoholic fermentation in small stainless-steel tanks with native yeast

**pH:** 3.45    **RS:** >2 gram per liter    **Alc:** 13 %    **UPC:** 8437005583528



**Rioja:** Located in central Spain is the oldest wine region in Spain. Rioja is synonymous with wine; nearly every business in Rioja is related to the wine industry in some way. Nestled in a valley and protected on all sides by mountains, Rioja has its own microclimate. When phylloxera devastated Bordeaux in the 1870's many French growers came to Rioja and found remarkably similar growing conditions. Several growers returned to Bordeaux when phylloxera struck Rioja in the next decade. However, the innovations they brought from France remained and started a huge improvement to the winemaking industry. Rioja was the first wine region in Spain to be awarded denomination of origin status.