## TORRE ORIA UTIEL-REQUENA

THE WINERY was founded in 1897 by Oria de Rueda family in the Dominion of Derramador in Requena, Valencia. Torre Oria is distinguished as the first winery located outside the Penedes area to produce under the Denomination of Origin Cava. Their wines are under the Denomination of Origin Utiel -Requena and Valencia.

Selection of the finest macabeo grapes, the coupage is then left to stand for, at least, 10 months in the silence of our historical cellars, and it is followed by a secondary fermentation.

Winemaker: Toni Gonzalez Vintage n/a Grape: 100% Macabeo Alcohol: 12% vol. Residual Sugar (G/L): 9

**Utiel Requena** is a Spanish Denominación de Origen (DO) for wines located in the province of Valencia. It takes its name from the two neighbouring towns of Utiel and Requena. It is renowned for the predominant use of the Bobal grape variety. Archaeological finds in ancient Iberian settlements wine production in the area dates from at least the 7th century BC.

The DO is located in the transition zone between the Mediterranean coast and high plateau (La Mancha) of Central Spain. The whole area slopes down slightly from northwest to southeast. The vineyards are located between two rivers: the Turia and the Cabriel. The soils are dark in colour with a high lime content, permeable and poor in organic matter.

The climate is not only continental (long hot, dry summers and cold winters) but one of the most severe of all the Spanish grape growing regions. Frosts and hailstones are frequent in winter and drought common in summer. There is a Mediterranean influence due to the closeness of the sea (only 70 km as the crow flies) and the cool wind, known as the Solano, helps to keep temperatures down. Annual rainfall is sparse, about 450 mm and the vines receive about 2,800 hours of sunlight per year.

The Bobal grape variety occupies over 75% of the vineyards. Authorized red varieties are: Bobal, Tempranillo, Garnacha, Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot and Syrah,. White varieties include: Planta Nova (or Tardana), Macabeo, Merseguera, Chardonnay and Sauvignon blanc.



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