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# QUEIRÓN

## EL ARCA 2020

### VINTAGE NOTES

**WINERY INFORMATION:** The Wines of Dominio de Queirón were conceived by the Pérez Cuevas family in their native Quel, which is located in the heart of the Cidacos river valley in the sub-region of Rioja Oriental. The winery strives to produce the absolute best wines possible from their native region. The vineyards are located between the Sierra Yerga and La Hez mountain ranges in the heart of the Barrio de Bodegas de Quel; an emblematic enclave of the 18th century that represents the historical roots of this tiny village in Rioja, with respect to wine, culture and soil.

**VITICULTURE:** El Arca is the first Queirón wine in the “Viñedo Singular” (single vineyard) category and the 2020 is the fourth vintage since its release in 2017. It represents the soul of one of the ancestral bastions of the original viticulture of the DOCa Rioja. El Arca is a tiny plot of garnacha covering less than a hectare, situated not far from the banks of the Cidacos river, in the northern corner of Quel just next to the town’s ancient castle where grape growing dates back to 1892.

**HARVEST:** This was a difficult growing year in Rioja. The harvest was marked by instable weather conditions during the length of the growing season, with an average rainfall of over 550 mm and several hailstorms throughout the year that greatly affected the evolution of the growth cycle. Light rains just before Harvest, during the month of September, accompanied by northerly winds and a marked difference between day and night time temperatures provided better balance and helped to improve the overall quality of the vintage.

**COLOR:** Ruby Red

**TASTING NOTES: Color** - Bright, clear, and lively with depth.

**Aroma** - An intense, explosive wine with elegance and a complex bouquet. It displays notes of fruit, such as blackberry, red currant and cassis. Notes of truffle, wild flowers and aromatic plants such as rosemary and thyme appear on the nose, reflecting the singular nature of the vines of El Arca. **Taste** - On the palate it showcases its volume, as well as a full well balanced profile with an underpinning of acidity.

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**WINEMAKER** Ruben Perez Cuevas & Jose Miguel Avizcuri

**VINEYARD MANAGER** Leticia Perez Cuevas

**VINEYARDS** La Pasada & El Pozo

**VARIETAL** 100% Garnacha from 100+ year-old single vineyards

**VINEYARD ALTITUDE** 520 meters

**BOTTLES PRODUCED** 1,524

**HARVEST METHOD** Manual

**STORAGE TEMP.** Between 16°C - 18°C

**ALCOHOL** 15%

**PH** 3.53

**RESIDUAL SUGAR** 1.7 g/L

**ACIDITY** TA of 5.5 g/L

**PACK SIZE** 4/750

**UPC** 8437020203043



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