

LADEIRAS DO XIL / Valdeorras

32779 Santa Cruz, Ourense

As Caborcas (2022)

Located in continental Galicia, in the village of Santa Cruz, As Caborcas comprises of 2,5 hectares of vineyard shaped in endless terraces on steep slopes bordering the Bibei river. Big stone blocks around the vineyard add to the impressive atmosphere. West and north oriented, this ancient vineyard hosts a mixture of traditional varieties.

REGION

Ladeiras do Bibei (Valdeorras)

VILLAGE

Santa Cruz

PLACE

As Caborcas

VARIETIES

Mencia, Merenzao, Sousón, Godello, “Garnacha”...

VITICULTURE

Own vineyards worked organically. Bush pruning.
Harvest by hand in boxes.

SOILS

Shallow, poor soils developed on granite.

ELABORATION AND AGING

Winemaking is simple. The grapes ferment in small wooden and stainless steel tanks and the wine is then gently aged in French foudres to preserve the “Atlantic” delicacy of this wine of inland Galicia.

VINTAGE CHARACTERISTICS

2022 was defined by a pronounced drought, which began in the winter months and persisted throughout the entire growing season. A combination of intense heatwaves and a lack of humidity led to reduced vegetative growth and greater exposure of the grape clusters to the sun. As a result, the skins of sensitive varieties such as Merenzao and Mencia began to “soften” earlier than usual. Despite the warm and dry conditions, harvest began on 22nd September.

BOTTLES PRODUCED

2,002



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