2018 Vintage Report





RIOJA

The 2018 harvest began at CVNE on the 19th September and ended on the 26th October. Given the adverse weather conditions of this year's harvest, timing of key tasks in the vineyard was critical to obtaining high quality grapes. The season began with a dry autumn, following one of the worst droughts in history, fortunately winter brought long awaited rains, along with cold spells, frost and snow, which have become common in recent years. There then followed a cold, wet spring and a warm summer. Considering that this was a year with high rainfall, the harvest took place calmly and selectively.

RIBERA DEL DUERO

The 2018 harvest was unbeatable in terms of both the health and quality of the grapes, and this has given a welcome break to wineries in the region. After a difficult 2017, where many adverse weather events took place, winter and spring were cold with plentiful rainfall, this leading to a speedy recovery of the vineyards. Harvest began on the 27th September and ended on the 12th October, and we anticipate the production of fresh, deeply coloured wines with long ageing potential.

VALDEORRAS

The 2018 harvest took place during the second fortnight of September. A dry summer has provided a full maturation of the grapes resulting in a fresh and aromatic harvest. Yields have been lower due to rains during flowering. It is one of the best harvests of the last 10 years.

CAVA – PENEDÉS

The 2018 season in central Penedés began with a lot of rain during autumn 2017 after a year of extreme drought. A mild winter preceded a spring that was complicated by the appearance of some mildew that affected the most exposed vineyards. During the ripening of the grapes, the relevant quality controls were carried out, focused mainly on pursuing the health of the grapes, which was achieved. Selection of grapes was made plot by plot and ensuring the quality of the harvest. Both the harvest and the winemaking took place slowly according to the maturation of different plots without any problems. Considering all the circumstances described, the harvest and selection of Roger Goulart wines for the 2018 vintage were excellent and we predict high quality cavas that are suitable for ageing.

