

# PAGO DE CARRAOVEJAS

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**2019**

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### TASTING NOTES:

Expressive, open, powerful and delicate all at the same time. Complex flavor concentration characterized by floral and spiced nuances that complement the intense fruit flavors. Structured, yet elegant tannins provide its recognizable character and balance.

### WINEMAKING:

Grapes are hand-harvested in the vineyard then undergo a rigorous second and third hand-selection at the winery sorting table. Gently destemmed and transported via gravity to stainless steel tanks for alcoholic fermentation using only indigenous yeast followed by malolactic fermentation in both stainless steel and French Foudre.

### AGEING:

12 months in extra-fine grain French and American oak and 12 months in the bottle prior to release.

### VINTAGE:

The 2019 vintage began with a mild winter and little rainfall. Thanks to abundant precipitation from the previous year however, water reserves in the vineyard were plentiful allowing for ideal and balanced grape maturation throughout the entire cycle. The harvest began on September 18th with Merlot, followed by the later-ripening varieties Tempranillo and Cabernet Sauvignon and was complete on the 5th of October.



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VARIETIES:	93% Tempranillo 4% Cabernet Sauvignon 3% Merlot
PRODUCTION:	800,000 bottles
APPELLATION:	Ribera del Duero
VITICULTURE:	Sustainable, Practicing Organic
ALCOHOL:	15.0% ABV
SRP:	\$55

James Suckling: 91  
Vinous Media: 93\*  
Peñín: 93\*  
Wine Advocate: 92+\*  
Wine Spectator: 92\*  
Tim Atkin: 91\*  
*\*Correspond to 2018 vintage*

*"A sweetly spiced nose of ripe blackberries, blueberries, chocolate, coconut and vanilla. It's full-bodied with creamy tannins. Round and rich with a flavorful finish. Drink now."*  
- James Suckling