

Cepa x Cepa



A few years ago, we discovered that we had a true treasure in the Valley of Nekeas. The dwarf oak woods in the upper regions of the valley concealed small areas of Garnacha vines more than 60 years old.

Although the age of the vines was a strong point, this was not the greatest virtue of the find. The worth of the vines was in the special type of grape that they provided. The bunches were small and extremely loose, with well sunned, well aired, small fruit. They were the result of years and years of selection based on the experience of vine growers who knew nothing of DNA, but did know what kind of grape matured well in this climate of ours, at times so harsh.

So we decided to do the same as they had done and selected the vines we believed the best adapted, and reproduced them by grafting them onto other vines. "Cepa x cepa" means "vine by vine" and that is how we worked.

We are now proud to have rescued an invaluable genetic gem which could otherwise have been lost for ever.

Varietal content:
100% Garnacha *

Alcoholic fermentation at a maximum temperature of 25°C and maceration for a total of 15 days, 7 of which are cold soak.

Malolactic fermentation and 3-month light ageing in French oak.

* The first wine produced from these re-grafted vines was 2008 and an assemblage with a percentage of older Tempranillo was thought necessary in order to provide structure (80% Garnacha, 20% Tempranillo).