

# Bodegas Bela Ribera del Duero

## THE FACTS

**COUNTRY:** Spain

**REGION:** Castilla y Leon

**APPELLATION:** Ribera del Duero

**CEPAGE:** 95% Tempranillo, 3% Merlot, 2% Cabernet Sauvignon

**WINEMAKING:** Manually harvested, vinified in stainless steel tanks, with pre-fermentation cold maceration.

**AGING:** 6 months in new and one-year old oak barrels

## THE STORY

Located in the village of Villalba de Duero in the Ribera del Duero appellation, the expertise at Bela is focused on bringing their Riojan elegance to the rugged region.

The winery was built in 1999 with the adjacent 185 acres of vineyards planted in 2002 at an altitude of 2674 feet above sea level, in soil that is mostly calcerous clay and sand. The 'Bela' label is a replica of one of CVNE's original labels from 1910. The stars represent the three children of CVNE's founder, Eusebio Real de Asúa. His daughter, Sofia, was known as Bela.

## THE ADJECTIVES

**OVERALL:** Complex & Earthy

**AROMAS / FLAVORS:** Red & black fruits, floral notes, vanilla, clove

**MOUThFEEL:** Full & Silky

## THE SELLING POINTS

**SUSTAINABILITY:** Vegan

**PAIRINGS:** Try with lamb, grilled meats, or aged cheese.

