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HONDARRABI ZURI - HONDARRIBIA

Getariako Txakolina

## HIRUZTA 2023 WINE TASTING SPEC SHEET

**Hiruzta** is a Txakoli wine that combines classicism and modernity. It is made from the Hondarrabi Zuri grape, grown in the winery's own vineyards in Hondarribia and fermented at its state-of-the-art facility. Produced in at an exceptional winery equipped with state-of-the-art technology.

## DENOMINATION OF ORIGIN: Getariako Txakolina

**VINEYARD**: The winery's own 17 ha. vineyard is located in the surroundings of the winery itself, at the foothills of Jaizkibel Mountain. It is oriented towards south which protects it from the wind and damp of the nearby Cantabrian sea, thereby enjoying excellent sunshine. Trellis grown vineyard using double Guyot training system. Plantation layout: 2.60 x 1.20 (3,200 strains/ hectare). The plot has a clay like soil arising from calcareous marlstones with fragments of limestone.

VARIETY: 100% Hondarrabi Zuri

HARVEST: 2023

TYPE: White txakoli.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 12%

**PROCESS:** Grapes harvested and transported in small crates. Destemming and crushing followed by rinsing and soft pressing. Cold static settling of the first must at 8/10°C. Storage in tanks at a low temperature to maintain the naturally occurring carbonation. Gentle clarification and stabilisation. Sterile bottling and filtration though microbial stabilisation at a low temperature.

**VINTAGE 2023:** In general terms, 2023 was a very wet year during the blossoming period, with an exceptionally rainy spring. This led to the very early onset of Downy Mildew resulting in some production losses. Ripening was excellent and the grapes reached optimum conditions at the end of the harvest, giving rise to highly balanced musts in terms of acidity and grading. The harvest began in September, some 10 days earlier than the usual dates in Hondarribia. The grapes reached the winery in perfect conditions with good grading and acidity, which enabled the production of full-bodied and balanced Txakolis. Although our 2023 harvest has performed less than previous years, the grape is of excellent quality.

**TASTING NOTES:** Clean and bright. Pale yellow colour with greenish glints against the light. When poured into the glass from a certain height, reveals the presence of tiny carbonation bubbles typically associated with this type of txakoli. Intense aromas of white (pear and apple), citrus (grapefruit) and tropical (pineapple and passion fruit) fruits on the nose, all accentuated by the subtle effervescence of natural carbon dioxide gas. Balanced and fresh in the mouth, it has quite a sharp taste with well-integrated acidity. Agreeable on the palate with hints of citrus and tropical fruits in the aftertaste. Long, aromatic finish.

**FOOD PAIRING:** Appetisers, hors d'oeuvres, mild cheeses, shellfish, fish, rice and pulses. Serving temperature: 8° to 10°C. Store in a well-ventilated cool dark place. Keeps in the bottle for up to two years. No aromatic defects whatsoever derived from the sealing system used. No aromatic defects whatsoever derived from the sealing system used.