



Bodega de Forlong '80/20' 2021

Region: El Puerto de Santa Maria, Andalucía

Soil: Albariza, Tosca y Lustrillo

Elevation: 62-83m

Vinifera: 100% Palomino Soaked on PX skins

Winemakers: Rocío Áspera and Alejandro Narváez

Vineyard: Today, the young, vibrant couple owns 14 ha, planted between two large plots in Pago Balbaína Baja (Palomino, PX, Merlot, Syrah y Tintilla de Rota) and Pago de Grañina (Palomino only) both within the Puerto de Santa Maria designation. “Pago del Forlon” in Balbaína is 7km from the sea, comprised of pure Albariza (Tosca y Lustrillo) chalk and Poniente salinity. **80/20** comes from a pure Palomino plot of 40-50 years old vines named ‘Plantalina’ in Balbaína Alta. This vibrant vineyard has been farmed organically for more than 15 years and is of great quality.

Production: Hand Harvested, Organic fruit from Plantalina plot in the Balbaína Alta vineyard the wine is Upon arriving to the winery, the grapes are immersed into a cold refrigerator at 40° F for up to 48 hours. Next, the grapes are again hand selected for the best quality and then head to the de-stemmer and pressed to must. Next the tinajas are filled with the pressed PX used for another wine and the Palomino must is poured on top to soak the PX skins in the amphora with one pump over each day. After 35 days, the wine is racked off the skins and begins the malolactic fermentation. This wine spends 12 months resting on the fine lees in red clay tinajas. This wine has ZERO added sulfur making it a totally natural wine.

Vintage: 2021 was a relatively showstopping vintage in the Marco – specifically in El Puerto. A long, extra dry year enhanced by a mild Puerto summer lent to a long healthy ripening cycle and beautiful healthy bunches. Lower yields than normal concentrated Forlong to produce their highest quality harvest since inception.

Wine: WOW. Truly never tasted an orange wine like this. A delicate peach hue leads to floral aromas of hibiscus, rose, and geraniums with gorgeous lychee and exotic pear following through on the palate. This stunner is lacy and racy with beautiful acidity and a zesty finish. There is a purity, elegance and structure with an exciting and freshly attractive grip. This is a wine for lovers of adventure.