

# BARBADILLO

Pedro Ximénez





#### **BASIC DATA**

Denomination: Jerez-Xérez-Sherry

Type of wine: Pedro Ximénez - Vino Generoso

Grape variety: Pedro Ximénez Winemaker: Montserrat Molina

#### **TECHNICAL INFO**

Alcohol Content: 19% vol.

Total Acidity: 3.8 ± 0.5 g/l tartaric acid

PH: 4.0

Residual Sugar: 375 g/l

### **VINEYARD AND HARVEST**

Vineyard: Gibalbín and Santa Lucía vineyards in Jerez Superior

Number of Hectares: 400 Hectares

Vineyard Age: 30 years

Yield: 9.5 kilograms per hectare

Soil Type: Albariza (white chalk & limestone)

Pruning: Double Cordon

Harvest Date: Midway through August

Duration: 17 days

#### VINIFICATION

Tanks: Stainless steal

Time: 10 Days

Yeast: Indigenous and selected by the winery

## PRODUCTION AND AGEING

Type of ageing: Oxidative

System: Criaderas and Solera (A system blending of new wine with older wines)

Ageing period: 5 years

Location of cellars: Sanlúcar de Barrameda

Ageing cellars: Las Pastoras

Type of cask: Typical Jerez bota made from American oak

Production process: Pedro Ximenez wine is obtained from grapes of the same name which undergo a traditional process known as `sunning', whereby the fruit turns to raisins. Once the Pedro Ximenez grapes have been pressed, the must is fortified with wine based distilled spirit to bring the alcohol content up to 19% (this arrests fermentation and retains high levels of residual sugar). It is then matured in American oak barrels following the traditional Jerez system of soleras and criaderas. This ageing or *crianza* is achieved through oxidation of the wine while in barrel and racking within each tier of the criadera.

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#### **TASTING NOTES**

Deep and dense mahogany color and aromas reminiscent of plums, raisins and chocolate against a background of noble oak. Velvety texture on the palate with a warm richness and a very long finish.

#### PAIRING AND SERVING SUGGESTION

Pedro Ximénez is in itself a dessert. Yet, as well, an incredible pairing for blue cheese, vanilla bean ice cream, dark chocolate and cheesecake. Serve at a temperature between 50°F - 55°F and in a white wine or brandy glass.



