

*Rioja*

## EL PACTO

VIÑEDOS EN EL ALTO NAJERILLA

2024

Viñedos El Pacto is a journey back to the roots of the most authentic Rioja—a commitment to reviving village wines and traditional viticulture. This Vintae project was born in Alto Najerilla and Sonsierra, two historic regions where old vines have thrived for generations, cultivated with deep respect for nature's rhythms. Here, the vineyard comes first, with every plot preserving biodiversity and safeguarding a unique genetic heritage passed down through time, capturing the purest expression of its origin.

El Pacto del Alto Najerilla is a white wine classified as a 'vino de zona', made from old vineyards located in the villages of Cárdenas and Nájera, both with a long-standing tradition of producing high-quality white wines. The vines, planted between 1915 and 1974, reflect the diversity and character of this unique terroir. With this wine, we recover and showcase the full potential of Alto Najerilla's white wines.

### AWARDS

**93 POINTS**

Tim Atkin MW. Rioja Report 2026. 2024 vintage.

**92 POINTS**

Wine Enthusiast 2024. 2021 vintage.

**92 POINTS**

James Suckling. Rioja Report 2024. 2022 vintage.

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Guía Peñín 2023 and 2024. 2021 and 2022 vintages.



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*19.800 bottles and 200 magnums*

### GRAPE VARIETIES

Mainly Viura, with small proportions of Malvasía, Garnacha Blanca, and Jaina.

### VINEYARD

Old vines planted between 1915 and 1974 in the villages of Cárdenas and Nájera, at an altitude of around 600 meters above sea level. The soil is ferrous clay with a base of conglomerate rock.

### HARVEST

Hand-harvested on 23–24 September.

### WINEMAKING

Whole-cluster maceration for 24 hours, followed by six hours of additional skin contact before pressing. Fermentation with indigenous yeasts at low temperatures (between 16–18°C).

### AGING

Aged for one year in a 5,000-liter oak vat and barrels of varying capacities (between 500 and 1,000 liters), all in contact with fine lees.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

3,23

DHP

13,12 %

ALCOHOL

### TASTING NOTES

**Visual:** Medium-intensity straw yellow with an appealing brilliance that gives it great luminosity in the glass.

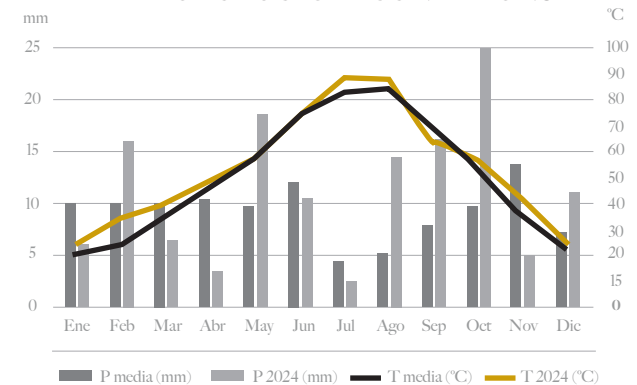
**Nose:** Complex, with notes of hay, cream, and pastry, alongside subtle citrus undertones.

**Palate:** Long and vibrant, with excellent acidity and substantial structure. Tactile sensations arise from the interplay between barrel ageing and the grape's natural freshness. The wine also shows remarkable volume and creaminess, a result of full vineyard ripening and the richness of fruit from low-yielding old vines. This is a wine defined by its firm acidity and rounded by its broad glyceric texture.

### VINTAGE 2022

The growing cycle in Alto Nájera began with a dry spring, followed by beneficial rainfall from May onwards that supported vineyard development. Summer temperatures took time to stabilise and, by late August, heavy rains increased the risk of botrytis, prompting an early and swift harvest. Yields were lower, although grape quality was preserved.

### METEOROLOGICAL CONDITIONS

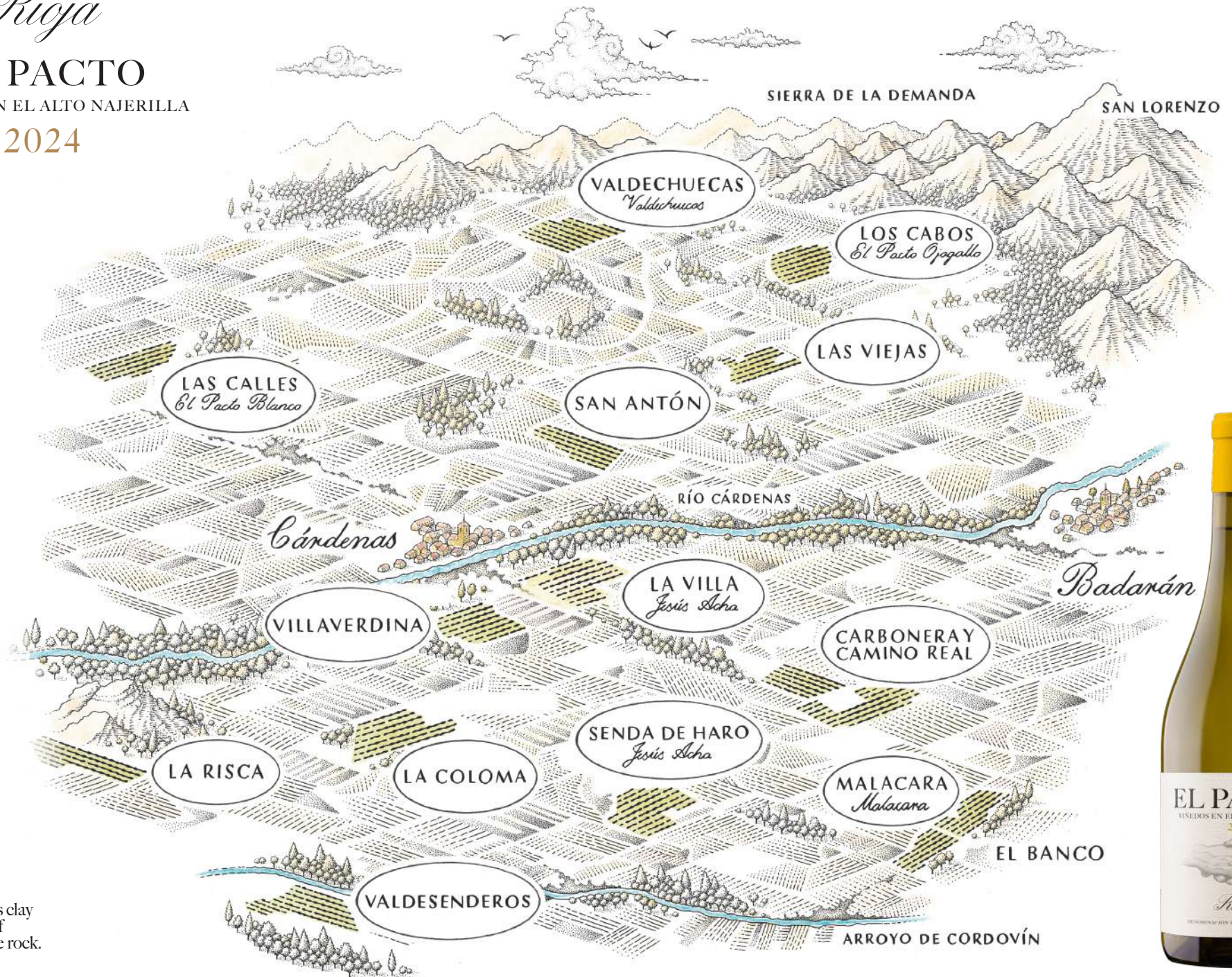


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