



PSI

Country: Spain Region: Ribera del Duero

Type: Red Varietal: Tinta del Pais (Tempranillo)

Format: 6 x 750ml

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TASTING NOTES

Colour: Dark cherry red with purple edges.

Aroma: Intense and complex bouguet showing vibrant aromas of plum, tobacco,

liquorice and hints of violet.

Taste: Broad flavours of blueberries, plums and blackberries. Vibrant and chewy,

this is a wine of purity and depth. Well-balanced with good acidity and

tannins.

Food: Aged Cheese, game, grilled red meats, prime rib roasts, rich stews.

AWARDS & ACCOLADES

2021 ~ 96 Points. #7 Top 100 Wines of 2024. "This is an incomparable value in the world of Spanish wine from an uncompromising producer. An absolute must-have." - Joaquín Hidalgo "The 2021 PSI is 90% Tempranillo and 10% Garnacha sourced from old vines planted in calcareous soils and was aged for up to 16 months in mostly sizeable French oak barrels. In the glass, it's garnet-red with a light purple sheen. The nose offers blood notes along with sour cherry and blackberry, intertwined with violets and dried flowers, resulting in a layered, complex profile. On the palate, it's dry and velvety. Chalky tannins define a compact mouthfeel and long-lasting fruit and floral flavors. The 2021 is a distinctive Ribera del Duero with excellent nuance and agility." -Joaquín Hidalgo - Antonio Galloni's Vinous, Sep/2023

 $2021 \sim 94$ Points. "Black cherries, asphalt, hedgerow, dark spices and dried Mediterranean herbs. Mediumto full-bodied on the palate with dusty, effusive tannins and a vertical finish. Pristine and stripped-down. Drink or hold." - James Suckling, Aug/2023

 $2021 \sim 93-95$ Points. "A new era starts in 2021, when they got a new winemaker for PSI. The 2021 PSI—still unbottled, as it should have an élevage of 20 months—comes from a cooler year than 2020, but it was also a drier vintage and the wine has more finesse than in 2020. It develops a note of honey, beeswax and pollen... 2021 is an approachable vintage, and the wine feels very elegant...I tasted a sample from 80% oak vat and 20% in barrel, with some new barrels. This is going in the right direction..." - Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate, Jan/2023

 $2021 \sim 93-94$ Points. "The only wine that is not certified organic is the 2021 PSI, because they purchase grapes from growers and not all of them are organic, even if more and more are following the guidelines. The oak vats are older, so the influence from the oak is subtler. The wine has gained in precision also (he has a new winemaker), and all the vines are old. It's juicy and young, with a lively palate. It contains some 10% Garnacha, of which 3% comes from the new plantings (and of course the varieties intermixed in the old vines); this adds to the freshness and contains the pH to 3.8. The wine has a little less than 14% alcohol. There are some dusty tannins, but this vintage feels less rustic than the wines from yesteryear. There will be around 345.000 bottles of this." - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, 1 un/2022

 $2021 \sim 93 + Points$. "The bottled 2021 PSI is a bit reticent and closed, the most backward of the 2021s—it's even a bit reductive. This has some 8% Garnacha In 2021, he decided to start buying some of the vineyards; until then, he bought the grapes from these old vineyards, but most of the growers who work these vineyards are also old and some cannot work anymore. So, the solution is to buy their vineyards, which represents an administrative problem too, as the ownership and legal aspects of these vines is sometimes not clear. He now has 50 hectares, with the idea to own 100 hectares of the 200 they use for the wine. That also represents a change, as they need more people to work the vineyards, tractor drivers and so on. "Which is a lot of work," he told me, "but very good fun." The wine takes time to open up; the nose is hard to read, but the palate is much better. It has a medium to full-bodied palate and tannins that are a lot more elegant and polished, more sophisticated and precise than in the initial vintages, and it has gained in seriousness. Some 349,000 bottles and some larger formats produced. It was bottled in July 2023." - Robert Parker's Wine Advocate, Jun /2024

 $2020 \sim 92$ Points. "Plum sauce and pureed blackberry flavors are an enticing entry to this harmonious red, whose fruit profile and accents of black tea, iron and spice are layered with creamy yet sculpted tannins that firm the lasting finish. Drink now through 2028." - Wine Spectator, May/2023

OTHER INFO

Peter Sisseck, after having established Pingus as a benchmark for greatness in Spanish wines, has embarked on PSI, a wine meant to capture the soul of Ribera del Duero. In collaboration with partner Pablo Rubio, Sisseck intends to do this by harnessing the passion of the region's growers who have, for far too long, lacked the tools, capital and vision to make wine that is truly "theirs." The idea was born of Peter's passionate belief in organic and biodynamic farming as well as his gratitude to the region for giving a young Danish winemaker the opportunity to make Pingus, arguably Spain's most coveted wine. When making PSI, there will be experimentation with winemaking as the project develops, but the primary concept is to eschew many of the modern techniques used in the region today.

