



Diez-Caballero Victoria Reserva, 2010

Elciego, Rioja-Alavesa (Basque)

Victoria Cañas and Antonio Diez-Caballero work with 25 hectares at this old winery in Elciego Primitia, representing the last vestige of a rich winemaking tradition in the Basque region of Rioja-Alavesa. Mountainside cellars excavated in ancient slabs of rock, formerly dug out by monks, barrel condition their small batches of highly lauded Rioja wines.



Varietals

100% Old Vine Tempranillo

Vinification

The *Victoria* is made only in the years considered “excellent” by the family. Manual harvest of old Tempranillo vines from a single plot in Elciego, this wine has aged 12 mos. in new French oak barrels and has rested a further 2 years in the bottle before release.

2010 Production

less than 300 cases

Tasting Notes

“The nose of the 2010 Victoria Diez-Caballero is perfumed and open for business, with a mixture of ripe plums, peaches and apricots and a coat of sweet spices (mainly cinnamon). The palate is round with abundant tannins and the flavours of sweet spices making a comeback in the finish 2014-2021.”

-Luis Gutierrez, *The Wine Advocate*