

# ARTUKE RIOJA TINTO 'PIES NEGROS'



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From the municipality Baños de Ebro, Rioja Alavesa, Spain. The climate is primarily Mediterranean, with a heavy Atlantic impact that is moderated by the river. The vineyard covers 25 acres at a high altitude. Alluvial soils. The vines are 20-50 years old. The grapes were harvested by hand. Fermented with indigenous yeasts from destemmed but uncrushed grapes. Elevage for 12 months, it was aged in 500-liter oak barrels, although 10% of the volume was preserved in concrete.

Artuke is a family winery, owned by the Miguel Blanco family and located in the town of Baños de Ebro. It has 42 acres of vineyard in Rioja Alavesa, from which they make wines with a marked personality. Inheriting the tradition of his ancestors, Roberto Artuke decided to build the current winery in 1985, providing it with the technology and facilities necessary to continue making his wines and to meet his growing demand. Today, his children Arturo and Kike run of the winery.

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## *Tasting Note:*

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