

## Wines

**Venta Mazzaron, Cenit**

## Location

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## D.O.

Vino de la Tierra de Zamora

## Grapes Source

The winery has a total of 44 hectares (105.6 acres) of vineyards. 15 % of those vineyards are Pie Franco (ungrafted vines). 35 hectares with an average age of 30 years were used to produce Venta Mazzaron. 9 hectares of vines with an average age of 60 years were used to produce the wine, Cenit. The vines produce very low yields of 1-2 kg. per vine. There are many ungrafted vines to be found in both areas.

## Soil

There is a top layer of gravel over very sandy soils and 6 feet down there is a layer of red clay.

## Climate

The continental climate and weather conditions are the same as Toro as well as the grape varietal, Tinta de Toro.

## History

This project is directed by Amy Hopkinson, an enologist from New Zealand. The first wine to be released from this winery is Venta Mazzaron 2003 in the Fall of 2004 and the second wine, a Reserva level wine, Cenit 2003, will be released in the Fall of 2005.

## Wines &amp; Tasting Notes

**Venta Mazzaron 2005, Viñas del Cenit**

Vino de la Tierra de Zamora

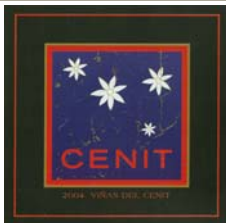
100% Tinta de Toro (Tempranillo)

This wine is made from ungrafted Tinta de Toro old vines. The vineyards are planted on soils that are a good blend of sand and chalk with a good amount of iron over the typical underlayment of clay which is common in Toro. Yields are 1.5 t/acre (3.5t/h).

*Aged for 9 months in oak barrels.*

Production: 4,000 cases

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**Cenit 2005, Viñas del Cenit**

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*Open tank fermentation. Malolactic fermentation in barrel. Aged for 18 months in new oak barrels.*

Production: 950 cases of 6 bottles.