



## Bodegas Amaren, Spain

Jon Cañas (Luis Cañas' grandson) is the imaginative winemaker behind Bodegas Amaren.

Jon has been granted free rein to explore the character of Alavesa's vineyards, giving us a raw, modern interpretation of Rioja Alavesa. Bodegas Amaren is comprised of some of the best and highest altitude vineyards around the villages of Samaniego and Leza, where the soil is poor and gnarly vines, ageing up to and over 100 years old, produce small bunches, perfect for making highly concentrated Rioja wines.

### Viticulture

Vineyards are split into hundreds of individual plots, each with its own personality and used for different wines according to its characteristics. Sheltered under the magnificent Sierra de Cantabria range, these vineyards are planted on chalky-clay and limestone soils.

### Winemaking

Jon Cañas employs native yeasts for his ferments, experimenting with concrete vessels and lees ageing to achieve expressive wines that are respectful of the ancient grape varieties that he works with, and staying true to Alavesa. The hierarchy of the Amaren range ignores traditional labelling of Rioja wines (Crianza, Reserva, Gran Reserva). Instead, 'Rioja Alavesa' is at the forefront of each label, emphasising the importance of place.

### Highlights

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- Sheltered under the magnificent Sierra de Cantabria range, these vineyards average over 60 years old, planted with gnarly old bush vines on chalky-clay soils.

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Item	Vintage		Pack size (cl)
4584	2019	Bodegas Amaren, Blanco Barrel Fermented, DOCa Rioja, Spain	6 x 75
4809	2019	Bodegas Amaren, Malvasia, Rioja Alavesa, Spain	6 x 75
4458	2016	Bodegas Amaren, Malvasia, Rioja Alavesa, Spain (150cl.)	1 x 150
4586	2019	Bodegas Amaren, Selección de Viñedos, DOCa Rioja Spain	6 x 75
3001	2017	Bodegas Amaren, Ángeles de Amaren, Rioja, Spain	6 x 75
4503	2018	Bodegas Amaren, El Cristo De Samaniego, DOCa Rioja Alavesa, Spain	4 x 75
3003	2011	Bodegas Amaren, Tempranillo Reserva, DOCa Rioja, Spain	6 x 75
4504	2017	Bodegas Amaren, Carraquintana, DOCa Rioja Alavesa, Spain	4 x 75
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