

Leizaola hails from the northern part of the Basque Country in the province of Gipuzkoa and is the owner's – Etienne Cordonnier – mother's maiden name. Etienne's ambition is two-fold: to revisit his family roots and to offer a wine that lives up to the family's history of brokering fine wines into the sophisticated Belgian market for three generations on his father's side.

The Rioja enjoys a favorable climate for producing fine wines and a variety of terroirs which provide complexity. Thanks to its spectacular location, Leizaola's wines offer the right balance for a great wine, which warrants our constant attention to detail. Situated on a promontory, it really is a unique geographical place and presents exceptional views on the surrounding areas. Located on the edge of a geological break, it is also a terroir, with a natural capacity to regulate the water supply of the vineyard's root system.

## **Tasting Notes**

UPC Bar Code

Crimson in color, very full upper layer, lively and young. Violet reflections on the edge. Without moving the glass, elegant roasted aromas with mixed wild berries and tobacco are sensed. When swirling, notes of pillory, blackberries, graphite, exotic spices and nutmeg emit. Wine is fresh with soft tannins. Medium weight and long aftertaste with good acidity. Longevity in the cellar: 2024-2028.



## Honors, Ratings, Reviews

2020: 92 pts, Tim Atkins "First Growth" (2018 vintage) 2019: 92 pts, Wine Enthusiast (2016 vintage)

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