

# THE '19, '20, '21, & '22 VINTAGES IN SANLÚCAR DE BARRAMEDA COTA 45 ACCORDING TO RAMIRO IBÁÑEZ

ALBARIZATORIO

## 2019

Almost universally hailed as the best vintage in many years, 2019 was very moderate in humidity. The year's best feature was perhaps its moderate, dry summer that allowed for a leisurely ripening of grapes and extremely balanced results.

## 2020

Austere and beautiful, overshadowed by the excellence of 2019. Comparatively dry and moderate in the winter, the final ripening period was warmer than average and led to an earlier harvest and more "introverted" wines.

## 2021

The opposite of 2020. A wet winter followed by a very dry spring. Slightly lower temperatures than the average of the past years. Maturation was earlier than in 2020, and the wines show more fruit and texture.

## 2022

Extremely dry, with 40% less rainfall than average and a heatwave in July. The intense summer heat caused a slowdown in ripening and the aridity meant that they had to work the soils carefully, but the results were free of mildew pressure, very high quality, and surprisingly delicate.

