

# José Pastor Selections

IMPORTER OF FINE IBERIAN WINES

**Grower** Pedro Rodriguez

**Appellation** Ribeira Sacra

**Subzone/Locality** Amandi

**Climate** Atlantic

**Varieties** Godello

**Soil** Slate, Granite, Sand

**Elevation** 350-500 meters

**Vine Age** 50-70 years

**Pruning** Espaldera

**Farming** Practicing organic

**Production** 200 cases (6pk)

**Guímaro**

*Cepas Viejas 2015*

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GUÍMARO

RIBEIRA SACRA  
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The young and ambitious **Pedro Rodriguez** descends from a long line of *colleiros* working in the Amandi area, Ribeira Sacra's most prime subzone with south facing vineyards planted on slate just above the river Sil. His parents Manolo and Carmen still work the vineyards daily alongside him. The family also maintains a small finca of mixed agriculture, raising chickens, rabbits, pigs, and cultivating a sizable vegetable patch. The culmination of the family's agrarian traditions manifested with the establishment of their *adega* in 1991. They named their winery after Pedro's grandfather, who's nickname "Guímaro" means rebel in their local dialect.

**Ribeira Sacra** means "Sacred Banks" in Gallego, the local Galician dialect that splits the difference between Spanish and Portuguese. The Romans came to this green, northwest corner of Iberia some 2,000 years ago and were the first to terrace the slopes and plant vines in Ribeira Sacra. Historically, the most famous Galician wines come from the Amandi area, the area that runs along the river Sil with the steepest south facing vineyards, planted on predominately slate and schiste soils.

Cepas Viejas Blanco is made from multiple plots of their oldest **Godello** vines grown on these steep slopes. The grapes are hand-harvested in small bins, fermented with native yeasts in old Burgundy barrels, with 2 days skin contact. The wine is raised on the lees without battonage for about one year in the same barrels, lightly fined with egg white, but not filtered. One of the most serious and complex white wine expressions of Ribeira Sacra *terruño* we've ever had. Decant before serving.