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## Ribera del Duero – the power of terroir

### Ribera del Duero's top wine villages

**Pesquera de Duero (Valladolid; 746 m/2,448 ft asl)** This village boasts some great classics such as Tinto Pesquera Millenium Gran Reserva 2018, Dehesa de los Canónigos 2021 and Erial Tradición Familiar Rivera Aparicio 2021 as well as surprises such as Dominio Lubiano Caminos Blancos 2021.

### Epifanio Rivera, Erial Tradición Familiar Rivera Aparicio 2021 Ribera del Duero

*100% Tinta Fina. Vineyards in Pesquera de Duero at 850 m above sea level on clayey limestone soils. Aged 18 months in French (85%) and American (15%) oak barrels. 12,000 bottles.*

Tasted blind. All dark and not just the colour: black, inky and deep fruit. Quite rich in aromas, dense and concentrated, thanks to a well-ripened fruit of great concentration. On the palate, all the black fruit is there! Very well-worked oak, which plays a secondary role, adding extra depth in aromas without being overpowering. Very savoury and with beautiful fine-grained tannins and a lean fleshy touch on the finish. (FC) 14.5%

Drink 2024–2035

€27 approx in Spain

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## Ribera del Duero – best-value Wines

### Epifanio Rivera, Erial 2022 Ribera del Duero

*100% Tinto Fino. Vineyards in Pesquera de Duero. Sandy and clay-limestone soils at 800–850 m of elevation. Aged for 12 months in barrels, 75% French oak and the rest American oak. 60,000 bottles.*

Tasted blind. Lots of lollipop, strawberries, plums and toasted notes. Accessible and expressive wine. Chalky and sharp tannins balanced with a mix of red and black fruits. Inky and complex aftertaste. (FC) 14.5%

Drink 2024–2034

€15 approx in Spain

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