



**18 y 19 de octubre**  
**Feria de Valladolid**

**Duero Wine 2021 closes its doors with excellent attendance figures and a high degree of satisfaction from the sector regarding the quality of its contents**

*420 people have passed through the Feria de Valladolid over the two days of the event, in which 13 DOs and 162 wine cellars have taken part. 600 people have enjoyed experiencing the five tasting master classes on the programme.*

**Valladolid, 19 October 2021**

The second edition of Duero Wine closed its doors at midday today with attendance figures which confirm that the decision to hold the event, which has brought together renowned national and international experts in the Feria de Valladolid, was correct, stressing the importance of the Duero as the backbone uniting the wines of Castilla y León.

162 wine cellars, 13 DOs, 600 participants in the tastings, 555 bottles, 420 registered attendees, 6,000 wine glasses used, 51 speakers, over 15 hours live broadcast via streaming, over fifty conference staff and another fifty accredited journalists. These are the closing figures for the second edition of Duero Wine. Figures which provide a snapshot to prove the scale of a congress which continues to grow and which has established itself as one of the key dates in the calendar for the sector.

The quality of the content and the prestige of the speakers represent the perfect complement to the successful figures with which the curtain fell on Duero Wine 2021 and which have generated huge satisfaction in the sector, which welcomes such initiatives as this as a lever to boost and showcase the quality of the wines and the importance of the variety of terroirs in Castilla y León and the rich quality of the lands bathed by the Duero.





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The final day began with one of the most eagerly awaited sessions of the congress, the tasting master class led by Raúl Pérez, one of the most prestigious experts in the sector, who gave a breakdown of his project and explained some of the keys of his wines from the Rapolao del Bierzo enclave. At the other extreme of the programme, to put the supreme finishing touches to Duero Wine 2021, the congress concluded with another tasting master class, this time under the guidance of Enrique Bajaras, Alberto Martín Baz and Paco Berciano, which, in addition, included a deserved homage to the whole career and a life devoted to wine that the Junta de Castilla y León paid to the winemaker Luis Sanz Busto, founder and owner of the Dehesa de los Canónigos winery. The regional minister for Agriculture, Animal Husbandry and Rural Development of the Junta de Castilla y León, Jesús Julio Carnero, presided over the tribute and presented the wine maker with a token to crown his great career and recognise his influence on the wine of the Autonomous Community.

The classification of the soil types in the designations of origin, a round table chaired by Juan Manuel Bellver, accompanied by top experts such as Ricardo Pérez Palacios, Bertrand Sourdais, Peter Sisseck and Dirk Niepoort, opened the round of talks on the final day. After these, the congress widened its horizons to look at international markets with a talk entitled "New commercial routes: looking to America and Asia", under the direction of José Ignacio Cuenca, president of the American Academy of Gastronomy-West United States, with the participation of Carlos Borboa, director of México Selection, and Rubén García, founding partner and executive director of Aivino, with a strong presence in the Chinese market and future plans for expansion into other Asian markets.





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After these first two talks, the Duero Wine turned to the Portuguese side of the river with the presentation by Francois Chartier (Chartier World LAB Barcelona) explaining the keys to the olfactory DNA of the Duero/Douro wines. Rui Falcao and Juan Manuel Bellver discussed Douro and Porto, while Francisco Ferreira (Quinta do Vallado), Dirk Niepoort and Rui Falcao himself explored the revolution of the Douro. Joao Roseira highlighted the importance of the growers of the Douro, just before the congress growers got the chance to discover for themselves the results of the project for the recovery of the minority grape varieties of Castilla y León, conducted by the Instituto Tecnológico Agrario de Castilla y León (ITACYL) and presented in detail by José Antonio Rubio and Jesús Yuste, both from ITACYL.

#### SUPPLEMENTARY CONTENTS

Complete talks from the 19 October: <https://youtu.be/PWd8UIR7EmU>

Tasting 1: <https://youtu.be/i4lOHDaFGRo>

Tasting 2: <https://youtu.be/H6-OR1deUil>

Tasting 3 and homage to Luis Sanz. <https://youtu.be/H6-OR1deUil>

