

# ITSASMENDI



## Estate Overview :

**Under Vine :** 17 vineyards totaling 37 ha (91.5 ac)

**Soil Types :** Superficial limestone soils on the coast and deeper clay soils inland mixed with limestone, margolimestone, lutitas(shale), sand and slate.

**Varieties :** Hondarrabi Zuri (40.7 ac), Hondarrabi Zuri Zerratie (37 ac), Izkiriot Handia (3.7 ac), Riesling (4.9 ac), Hondarrabi Beltza & Pinot Noir (5 ac).

**Vine Planting & Density :** Trellis system at 2,200 - 2600 vines per hectare (890 - 1050 vines per ac).

## ORIGIN

D.O. Bizkaiko Txakolina  
Gernika | País Vasco (Basque County), Spain

## DESIGNATION

'ParaDiSuak' Janeo Muzkiz Rosé

## VARIETIES

100% Pinot Noir

## VINEYARD

This limited edition Rosé of Pinot Noir is sourced from the Janeo Muzkiz vineyard. Planted in 1989 on limestone topsoil with clay and loam, this site was Itsasmendi's very first estate vineyard.

All of Itsasmendi's vineyards carry an Integrated Production Certification – an agricultural system using natural production mechanisms, resources and techniques to ensure sustainability. Additionally, they have ECO Certified vineyards (a more rigorous implementation of Organic) and are working to incorporate biodynamics in specific sites.

## PROCESS

The free run juice is fermented in stainless steel and aged in white clay amphora for 3 months. The clay provides scents of lilies and wildflowers. Just 1,200 bottles were produced.

## TASTING

Very attractive minerality, notes of exotic jujube fruit, hazelnut and toasted macadamia nut, black fruits, and a hint of salty cheese rind. Offers a unique and complex nose. The palate is broad and with well-placed acidity. Long and walks nimbly on the tongue.