







# LEPANTO OV SOLERA GRAN RESERVA

#### DISTILLATION

Lepanto is a unique product as it is the only Brandy de Jerez produced 100% in Jerez from the Palomino variety. Only the best Palomino musts are used for the production of Lepanto, the mosto yema, the first musts taken from the pneumatic Wilmes presses. This must is then distilled following a double distillation process carried out in two Charentais pot stills housed in Los Arcos cellar in González Byass in Jerez, being the only brandy to be distilled in Jerez. Our skilled master distiller Luis Trillo selects the central part or *heart* of the alcohol spirit produced, discarding the heads and tails. This part gives the purest and best quality and is known as Holanda. The Palomino variety gives very fragrant alcohol spirit with a fruity and vinous character. Aromas such as pear, pineapple and banana stand out due to the careful alcoholic fermentation of the Palomino wines.

### **AGEING**

This Lepanto Holanda is aged in 600 litre American oak casks previously used for the ageing of sherry following the traditional Solera system unique to Jerez. In the case of Lepanto OV (Oloroso Viejo) the alcohol spirit is aged for 12 years in casks previously used for the ageing of Tio Pepe and then for a further 3 years in casks previously used for the ageing of old dry Olorosos. Therefore the brandy is aged for an average of 15 years making it a Solera Gran Reserva.

## MASTER BLENDER'S NOTES

The 15 years spent in cask and the use of both old Tio Pepe and dry Oloroso casks gives a complex and powerful yet elegant brandy. Lepanto OV shows an intense amber colour with dark copper tones. On the nose clean and complex aromas with hints of nuts, spices and mature wood. On the palate intense and extremely dry however maintaining an elegant smoothness.

### SERVING

This is a brandy to be meditated in a brandy glass. Ideal to be enjoyed with a good cigar or cured Manchego cheese.

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Type: Solera Gran Reserva

Denomination of Origin: Brandy de Jerez

Grape Variety: 100% Palomino Fino

Ageing: Average 15 years in American oak casks following the traditional Solera system

Alcohol: 36 % vol

No Alcohol Coefficient: minimum 300mg/100ml a.abs

Dry Extracts: 10.5

Residual Sugars: 7 g/l