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ALIÓN TEMPOS VEGA SICILIA

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Bodegas Alión was formed in 1986 and is owned by the great Vega Sicilia – regarded as Spain's most prestigious wine estate. Alión is a 85-hectare wine estate founded by the Álvarez family (who also own the Toro estate Bodegas Pintia) to provide a modern expression of Ribera del Duero.

Alión, whose name refers to the area of Leon where the patriarch of the Alvarez family was born, is located just 15 km from the Vega Sicilia headquarters, in a very similar location, between the River Duero and the Valladolid to Soria highway, near to Ribera's winemaking capital, Penafiel.

The first vintage to reach the market in1991 was made at Vega Sicilia, but from 1993 the wine had its own facilities following the acquisition and refurbishment of Bodegas Liceo. The winery was revamped again in 2001 to introduce fermentation wood vats. A new refurbishment in 2018 increased the number of tanks from 20 to 42, allowing for more specific fermentations.
In recent years, the role of oak has been reduced with the introduction of foudres and concrete tanks to complement barrels.

