Yuste

LA KIKA MANZANILLA PASADA EN RAMA

REGION: SPAIN - ANDULUCIA

YUSTE

Sanlúcar native Francisco (Paco) Yuste has been a true lover of Manzanilla his entire life.
In 1991, after a long and successful career building a successful beverage distributorship in the provinces of Cádiz and Córdoba, he purchased the historic Bodega Santa Ana in Sanlúcar's Barrio Bajo. The purchase included a centenarian "solera" and Paco began operation as an "almacenista" – a specialty broker who buys young wines from farmers, ages them in soleras on his own premises and in turn sells mature selections to large producers. The purchase of Bodega Santa Ana began Paco's journey as a preserver of classic old Sherry bodegas, some containing rare soleras started over a century ago.
In 2001 he added Bodega Los Ángeles in the Barrio Alto, restoring it to Manzanilla production and using it to refresh his "criaderas" at Santa Ana. Bodega Miraflores, founded in 1956, was acquired in 2010 to serve as a

THE WINE

Vineyard Profile

Vineyards in D.O. Manzanilla de Sanlúcar de Barrameda: Viña La Alamedilla estate in the Jerez pago of Carrascal and long term sources in El Puerto de Santa María's Balbaína and Sanlúcar's Miraflores.

- Soils: Chalky white Albariza
- Climate: Humid maritime air and persistent breezes, cool temperatures

Harvest Notes

- Biological aging in old barrels under "veil of flor" – natural yeast covering that develops under the humid conditions in the cellar
- Slight weakening of flor allows a small amount of oxidation after several years
- Aged over 12 years
- Botas showing greatest complexity from first criadera selected and bottled by hand
- Minimal filtering

Winemaker's Notes

Dedicated to Paco Yuste's late mother Caridad ('Kika'). Solera is located at historic Bodega Santa Ana in Sanlúcar's Barrio Bajo, the Yuste residence. La Kika is over twelve years old, concentrated and green-gold, clinging to freshness. Individual botas are selected upon order for bottling directly by hand.

Technical Information

- 100% Palomino
- Alcohol: 15%

REVIEWS

La Kika Manzanilla Pasada en Rama

92 Points - Decanter, November, 2019
Spot-on. Refreshing, bright. Not sure I'd know it's en rama, but it has fine roasted characters and elegance.

91 Points - Wine and Spirits, August, 2021
A little chalky, a little fat in its white-cherry fruitiness, this offers sweet scents of jasmine and butterscotch over sea salt and kelp. It's clean and zesty, a

wine for roast fish.

17.5 Points - JancisRobinson.com, May, 2019
37.5 cl. Eleven years in cask.
Apparently the yeast is still alive before they bottle. A little more yeasty on the nose, more dried grasses, so much complex and rich flavour but still mouth-wateringly salty. 2019 – 2025

GENERAL INFO

COUNTRY	SPAIN
REGION	ANDALUCIA
APPELLATION	D.O. Manzanilla de Sanlucar de Barrameda
PROPRIETORS	Francisco (Paco) Yuste
FOUNDED	1991
WINEMAKER	Francisco (Paco) Yuste