

2019 GRAN RIBAD ALBARINO

BODEGAS TOMADO DE CASTRO, RIAS BAIXAS, SPAIN



THE WINE:

100% Albarino from Vineyards near the town of Ribadumia. These vineyards are planted to older vines with specific clones of Albarino native to this tiny village. Grapes are hand harvested and sorted and fermentation occurs at cooler temperatures to preserve aromatic intensity and freshness. The wine never touches oak and stays with the lees for 8 months prior to bottling to bring richness and depth. Approximately 1,600 cases made in 2019.

THE ESTATE:

Bodegas Tomado de Castro was founded in 1998 by the Castro family. The family has been growing grapes in this area for over 100 years. It is still entirely owned and operated by this family. They have 7 acres of vineyards planted in the Salnes River Valley with several old vine plantings dating back to 1975. All grapes are hand harvested and sorted. The vineyards are organically farmed and all yeasts for fermentation are native and non commercial. Carlos Castro and his daughter Elizabeth are the winemaking duo. They use old family vineyard techniques while incorporating modern technology in the winery. The wineries focus is on Albarino with 6 different wines made.

TASTING NOTES:

Color: light shade of gold

Aromas: yellow nectarine, minerals, and golden apples

Flavor & Texture: nectarine and saline minerals show hints of herbs; the texture is rich yet with bracing acidity and lifted freshness

Food Pairing: spicy shrimp tacos with chopped tomatoes, cilantro, chipotle cream sauce and fresh lime

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