

# Loureiro Vinho Verde AB Valley 2018



## Region

Portugal's northern Atlantic coastal region of Minho shares much in common with its northern Spanish neighbour, Galicia. The Minho is a verdant green coastal region, often shrouded in mist, where the grey granite soils support a wide variety of fruits and vegetables and various localised grape varieties.

## Producer

AB Valley Wines was formed in 2016 by renowned winemaker Antonio Sousa and Bernardo Lencastre. Their idea was to make wines which showcase the indigenous grape varieties of the region with the terroir of Vinhos Verde's sub region of Amarante. The terroir is ideal for grape growing; Amarante is protected from the influence of the Atlantic and has a high average altitude, higher temperatures than the regional average and the hottest summers overall. These conditions favour the development of late-maturing varieties such as Azal and Avesso.

## Tasting Notes

A fragrant and expressive wine; Loureiro means 'laurel' due to the similar aroma of the berries to the laurel tree. This fresh and zesty wine has notes of honeysuckle, orange blossom, acacia, apple and white peach.

## Food

Serve with prawns, soft shell crab or fish soups.

## Technical Information

<b>Country</b>	Portugal	<b>Dry/Sweet Style</b>	Dry
<b>Region</b>	Minho	<b>Alcohol Content</b>	11.5%
<b>Grape(s)</b>	Loureiro (100%)	<b>Closure Style</b>	Screw Cap
<b>Type</b>	White	<b>Organic/Biodynamic</b>	No
<b>Style</b>	Crisp	<b>Allergens</b>	<b>Milk:</b> No <b>Egg:</b> No
<b>Oaked Style</b>	Unoaked	<b>Vegetarian/Vegan</b>	<b>Vegetarian:</b> Yes <b>Vegan:</b> Yes
<b>Body Style</b>	Light bodied		



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