Can Valles Xarel-lo Organic White 2024



Region

Penedes is the coastal Catalan region in north eastern Spain around the vibrant city of Barcelona. The region is dominated by the Pyrenees to the north, which forms a narrow coastal strip. The mild climate is influenced by the cooling Mediterranean, with a more continental and hotter climate further inland, where the vineyards are affected by the altitude, which afford cooler climatic influences. The region is most famed for producing Cava sparkling wine, meaning `cellar` in Catalan.

Producer

Can Valles is a family estate ran by Jordi Valles and his wife Vicky, with the help of their daughter Victoria. Their origins are a long history, dating back to 1486 which is 22 generations of winemaking. Can Valles are based in the region of Penedès, which is located in Catalonia, 60km south west of Barcelona. The mountains of the region look on to the estate which sits in a basin between the foothills and the Mediterranean Sea. The vineyards sit at 400m above sea level and soils are calcareous, with a mix of clay and well-draining stony terrain. Rainfall of 550mm per year allows dry farming for water retention. The core philosophy of the family starts in the vineyards with biodynamic principles, all vineyards are farmed organically and sustainably with some being DEMETER certified. Winemaker Anna Baqués practices low intervention, using native grapes to the region to craft delicious, gastronomic lead wines.

Tasting Notes

Made with 100% Xarel-lo, entirely from a selected biodynamic vineyard. This wine is naturally fermented using the ambient yeasts on the skins in concrete vats. It is expressive on the palate making an elegant and delicious accompaniment to food. This light bodied, mineral white has a crisp lemony freshness with bright acidity complemented by subtle notes of stonefruit and a nutty, smokey finish.

Food

It pairs wonderfully with fresh summer salads or grilled white fish.

Technical Information

Country	Spain
Region	Penedes
Grape(s)	Xarel-lo (100%)
Type	White
Style	Crisp
Oaked Style	Unoaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	Yes-sustainable practices

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry
Alcohol Content	12%
Closure Style	Cork
Organic/Biodynamic	Organic certified
Allergens	**Milk:** No **Egg:** No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:** Yes **Vegan:** Yes

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