Alvarinho Semente AB Valley 2025



Region

Portugal`s northern Atlantic coastal region of Minho shares much in common with it`s 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. There are around 60,000 hectares of vines planted in Minho. Many of these are dedicated to Vinho Verde, the country`s largest DOC.

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; with warm conditions to favour the development of late-maturing varieties such as Azal and Avesso. AB Valley are passionate about exploring the potential of the native varieties and their knowledgeable team take opportunities to experiment.

Tasting Notes

Native to the Iberian Peninsula, and particularly found in Rias Baixas, the Alvarinho grape is also one of Portugal's most noble varieties. The vineyards are based in the hot Amarante sub region, which is located at higher altitude than the coastline of the Minho region. This wine undergoes skin maceration for 24 hours for 40% of the lot which gives an excellent, rich texture to the body. Intense aromas on the nose of citrus fruits, nectarines and honeysuckle. The palate is vibrant, showing a refreshing acidity with ripe flavours of fleshy white peach, lime and a subtle saline note on the finish.

Food

Alvarinho pairs exceptionally well with white fish, seafood paella, grilled fish tacos, calamari and feta based salads.

Technical Information

Country	Portugal
Region	Minho
Grape(s)	Alvarinho (100%)
Type	White
Style	Crisp
Oaked Style	Unoaked
Body Style	Light bodied
Sustainable	Yes-sustainable practices

Dry/Sweet Style	Dry	
Alcohol Content	12.5%	
Closure Style	Cork	
Organic/Biodynamic	No	
Allergens	**Milk:**	No
	Egg:	No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:**	Yes
	Vegan:	Yes

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