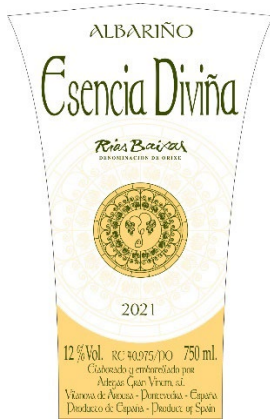


Esencia Diviña Albariño 2021 (White Wine)



Adegas Gran Vinum is a family winery owned by Enrique Pineiro. In 1998 the Val do Salnes subregion was added to D.O. Rias Baixas spurring a renewed focus on quality wines. Adegas Gran Vinum reacted by adding new vineyard plots on steep, sandy, south-facing slopes, near the ocean which minimized temperature swings and extended maturation times giving more spice, saline and fruity varietal character to the wines.

Appellation	D.O. Rias Baixas
Grapes	100% Albariño; vines average 40 years-old
Altitude / Soil	25 meters / sandy loam, with mollusk shells over granite bedrock
Farming Methods	Traditional methods
Harvest	Hand harvested
Production	Whole clusters held overnight prior to pressing in horizontal, pneumatic press, fermented in stainless steel tanks
Aging	Aged for an extended period on lees in tank prior to bottling
UPC/SCC/pack	183277000024 / 10183277000021 / 12

Reviews:

“Despite having made multiple trips to Rias Baixas, I’ve never enjoyed the opportunity to visit this bodega in order to learn how such exemplary consistency is achieved across the various releases from Adegas Gran Vinum every year — or how they worked up the nerve to give a wine this name. In any case, this is awesome juice that makes the name seem somewhat less audacious, with significantly more richness, depth of flavor and persistency of finish than the other new 2021 releases. As the wine warms and opens in the glass, it reveals a hint of tropical fruits alongside the core of pitted fruits (reminiscent of nectarines and apricots). The factor of serving temperature is worth revisiting, as this wine definitely gets better as it warms, whereas showing wines cold to cover flaws is a very old sales trick. No tricks needed here, and no flaws, either. This would be a killer pairing for shellfish, but more broadly, also for almost any seafood dish not involving a tomato sauce. Substantial but refreshing, this is already terrific but destined for another few years of improvement.”

93 points *Wine Review Online*; Michael Franz – February 15, 2022

“I love that the winery is now making magnums of their entry level Albariños available in the American market (please see below). The 2021 Esencia Diviña bottling shows a bit more depth on both the nose and palate than the fresh as a daisy Nessa bottling in this vintage, jumping from the glass in a fine aromatic constellation of lime, tart pear, lemongrass, salty minerality, a gentle touch of leesiness from some aging on its fine lees and a topnote of Chablis-like straw tones. On the palate the wine is full-bodied, focused and shows good mid-palate depth, with lovely acids and grip, fine focus and a long, complex and very well-balanced finish. Another fine, fine value. 2022-2030+.”

91 points *View from the Cellar*; John Gilman – Issue 98 March-April 2022

