Esencia Divina Albariño 2017 (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 | Rias Baixas D.O. |
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| Grapes | 100% Albariño, from 50-year-old, estate-grown vines |
| Altitude / Soil | 10 meters / decomposed granitic sandy loam |
| Farming Methods | Traditional methods |
| Harvest | Hand harvested in mid-late September, fruit was then hand sorted at the winery prior to |
| | processing |
| Production | Grapes were cold macerated with skins for 8 hours prior to pressing, fermented in |
| | stainless steel tanks at low temperature |
| Aging | Aged 3 months with fine lees in stainless steel tank |
| UPC / SCC / Pack | 0-183277-000024 / / 12 |

Reviews:

"Light, bright gold. Fresh and incisive on the nose, displaying intense orchard and pit fruit scents and a tangy suggestion of lemon zest. Chewy and taut in the mouth, offering bitter lemon and pear skin flavors and a bracing mineral flourish. Finishes long and precise, with recurring citrus fruit character and lingering mineral and floral notes. Drink 2019-2023."

92 points Vinous Meda; Spain's Northern Regions Keep it Cool – March 2019

"Orange and blanched almond aromas are light and lucid on the nose. This is citrusy and ripe on the palate but not heavy. Citrus and melon flavors are a touch leesy, while this is steady and well-balanced fresh, rounded finish."

91 points Wine Enthusiast; Top 100 Wines of 2018 - #84

"The 2017 Albariño "Essencia Diviña" from Adegas Gran Vinum is happily sealed under natural cork and is a step up in terms of precision and roundness. The bouquet is bright and classy, wafting from the glass in a blend of tart orange, lime blossoms, ocean breeze, lovely minerality, dried flowers and a hint of gentle leesiness. On the palate the wine is vibrant, fullish and beautifully detailed, with a good core of fruit, zesty acids and lovely focus and grip on the long, complex and gently briny finish. This is first class Albariño! 2019-2030+."

91 points View from the Cellar; Issue #78 - November/December 2018