

Pemartin Amontillado NV (Sherry Wine)



Bodegas Diez Mérito produces Sherry wines in a traditional system of soleras and criaderas, Brandy de Jerez, traditional vinegar and other spirits in their two historic bodegas, El Cuadro and Bertemati, in Jerez. Their holdings encompass over 500 acres of vines between 3 main vineyards, Vina El Caribe (in the historic pago of Añina), Vina El Diablo and Vina las Mezquitillas, mostly on the typical, chalky, albariza soil and all rated Jerez Superior.

The brand Pemartin dates back to 1810 with the planting of a vineyard in the Macharnudo pago by Julian Pemartín Rodis. In 1819 he built the winery known as El Cuadro, which is still in use to this day.

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| Appellation | Jerez - Xeres - Sherry D.O. |
| Grapes | 100% Palomino |
| Altitude / Soil | 40 meters / white, lime-rich <i>albariza</i> soil |
| Farming Methods | Traditional methods, Vegan |
| Harvest | Hand harvested |
| Production | Pressed, fermented to dryness and then fortified to 15% alcohol |
| Aging | Aged for 4 years under a layer of flor (yeast), fortified again and oxidatively aged a further 4 years |
| UPC / SCC / Pack | 8410051003752 / 28410051003756 / 6 |

Reviews:

“Juicy and open in feel, with a mix of dried persimmon, hazelnut, date and candied walnut notes. A bitter almond streak on the finish adds balance. Drink now. 1,500 cases made, 250 cases imported.”

91 points *Wine Spectator*; August 2020

“Salted, caramel nose with caramel with floral uplift. Spanish almonds accompanied by racy acidity and clean celery finish. Tightly round and ready to explode.”

90 points *International Wine Challenge*; Silver Winner 2018

“Textbook amontillado aromas of butter, peanut, caramel and brine precede a fresh high-energy palate that's fueled by acidity. Nutty flavors of toffee include plenty of salt and some smoke, while this finishes long and slightly fiery.” **88 points / Best Buy** *The Wine Enthusiast*; July 2018

“Rich and nutty, this lovely amontillado smells and tastes of smoked meat, roasted hazelnuts and wild herbs, all with a creamy texture that coats the mouth. Pair it with hearty dishes such as smoked duck.”

3 Stars / Great Value *The Washington Post*; January 2020 (a 3-star rating is considered Exceptional)

