

VAL DO GALIR

MENCÍA 2023

Val do Galir is made from grapes selected from our vineyard plots in Entoma.



Type of wine: Red

Region of production: Valdeorras

Year: 2023

Grape varieties: Mencía and minority mix of other varieties

Type of bottle: Burgundy

Production and bottle size:
150.000 bot. 75cl.

Bottling date: 17 June 2024

Alcoholic volume: 13%

pH: 3.3

Total acidity: 6

Suitable for vegans

Ageing and barrel type:

7 months in 500 liters barrels of 1 and 2 wines



The vineyard

Val do Galir Mencía is made from grapes specially selected from plots grown on terraces since 1998, within our vineyards located around the village of Entoma – Val do Galir, Valdemioto and Soutiño Novo. Being on terraces, we ensure optimal retention of rainwater to favor rooting and the capture of organic matter. South orientation in the upper part of the terraces of 500m altitude. Clay loam and, predominantly, deep slate soils. Despite the fact that the area usually has warm summers and that the Mencía and the rest of the red varieties mature later, growing on terraces allows us to protect the bunches, leaving a good leaf density and favoring aeration.

What marks the difference is the mestura with other minority varieties such as Brancellao, Sousón or Garnacha Tintorera or Alicante Bouschet.

Sustainable viticulture is carried out.

Winemaking

Fermentation in small stainless steel tanks (60 hl), 1/3 of whole grapes with stems and the rest 2/3 destemmed without crushing. Topping until malolactic fermentation is finished.

Vintage / Harvest description

The 2023 harvest for the red varieties began on September 18, and although it seemed that it would be brought forward by the heat wave in mid-August, the rains in the second week of September delayed the cutting and we were able to harvest with moderate alcohol levels. The longer phenolic cycle for these varieties, marked by a rainy spring and dry summer with very high temperatures in mid-August, also played a role. Long alcoholic maturation due to the September rains, better PH and acidity as yields were 15% higher than the 2022. It is a mouth-filling vintage, with a lot of nerve, tension, wild but fine, Atlantic, deep.