Adega Algueira,

Ribeira Sacra Mencía 2024

Ribeira Sacra, Galicia, Spain





Grape Varieties	100% Mencia
Winemaker	Fernando Algueira
Closure	Natural Cork
ABV	13%
Residual Sugar	1.85g/L
Acidity	5.3g/L
Wine pH	3.7
Bottle Sizes	75cl
Notes	Sustainable, Vegetarian, Vegan

PRODUCER

Adega Algueira is a jewel in Ribera Sacra's magnificent crown. Described by Luis Gutiérrez as "one of the region's leading producers with incredible vineyard holdings", this family-run winery is internationally recognised for producing refined wines from breathtaking vineyards perched on steep slopes that plunge towards the Sil River. In 1980, Fernando González Riveiro came to the region and, convinced of its potential, began the painstaking work to restore some of the forgotten vineyards of the region. Years later, in 1996, the same year the Ribeira Sacra appellation was created, he built a winery in the renowned subregion of Amandi. Today, Fernando is a local hero and works alongside his son Fabio. They have 130 plots totalling 30 hectares of vineyard planted to local Galician varieties.

VINEYARDS

Mencía Joven represents the Adega Algueira's flagship wine, embodying the most popular vinification style within the appellation. This wine showcases fresh, light characteristics with pronounced fruit expression and subtle acidity. The grapes are sourced from multiple estates featuring diverse soil compositions of slate, granite, and schist.

VINTAGE

The 2024 vintage was exceptional for creating fresh, aromatic wines. Cool, wet conditions during the spring provided abundant soil hydration, followed by rising temperatures and dry weather that created optimal ripening conditions. Harvest operations commenced in the first week of September 2024 and concluded by month's end.

VINIFICATION

The bunches were mechanically destemmed and pressed, followed by cold maceration and tank fermentation. The wine underwent malolactic fermentation with no oak ageing or wood contact involved in the wine making process.

TASTING NOTES

In the glass, the wine displays a deep cherry colour with a purple rim. The nose presents varietal character with pure blackberry and raspberry notes that are both expressive and powerful. The palate demonstrates balance with a full-bodied structure, departing from the region's typical lightness. The intensity of fruit is underpinned by harmonious acidity, which provides vibrancy and lift.