



FILLABOA®



Selección Finca Monte Alto

Vintage: 2016

Apellation of Origin: D. O. Rías Baixas

Coupage: 100% Single Vineyard Albariño

Comments: This estate-grown wine is crafted using grapes from our highest elevation vineyard, known as the *Finca Monte Alto*. This emblematic vineyard is the highest and sunniest at Bodegas Fillaboa, crowning our estate at a height of 150 meters above the Miño River, which separates Spain from Portugal. Located only fifty kilometers from the mouth of the Atlantic Ocean, our vineyard's unique Atlantic climate and granitic terroir gives each of our Albariño clusters an exceptional ripening season and singular character.

2016 was considered to be an exceptional vintage and a unique year in the history of Fillaboa. While our spring was rainy, the summer was the hottest and driest in the last 50 years. Thankfully, the vines managed to withstand the drought and their late vegetative cycle, caused by a cold and rainy spring, was compensated by the long and warm summer. Grapes reached their full maturity and achieved a perfect sanitary state upon harvest, which began on the 14th September.

Bodegas Fillaboa is centered on preserving the primary aromas of the Albariño grape variety. A naturally thick-skinned grape known for its rich variety of aromas (16 different aromas have been scientifically recognized), alcoholic fermentation takes place at low temperatures in stainless steel vats and the wine is then aged sur lees for an average of 12 months, during which the fine lees are stirred regularly using the *bâtonnage* method. Bentonite is used as a natural clarifying agent. Unique in their commitment to a single bottling per vintage for the U.S. market, Fillaboa's dedication to excellence prevents bottle variation and ensures consistent quality from vintage to vintage. Wine is bottled in a special 750 ml signature style bottle and less than 1,000 9L equivalent cases were produced.

Tasting Notes

Color: Soft golden-yellow in color with a bright, sparkling white rim.

Aromas: Fine, elegant and expressive, this wine has a remarkable aromatic evolution with alluring aromas of fresh apple, ripe pear, white flowers, brioche and citrus fruit.

Flavors: Soft upon entry, with great structure on the mid-palate, the 2016 Finca Monte Alto is elegant and complex, with well-integrated acidity and fleshy-fruit notes. Considered to be one of the few Albariños with outstanding complexity, Fillaboa's Selección Finca Monte Alto is a stellar Spanish wine known for its unique balance and roundness.

Serving temperature: 50-54°F / **Alcohol content:** 13.7% / **pH:** 3.42 / **Total acidity:** 6.2 g/l / **Size:** 750 ml

