



## 2019 Palacio de Fefiñanes Albariño

Spain - Galicia - Rías Baixas



### ABOUT THE WINERY

Founded in 1904, Palacio de Fefiñanes is housed inside a spectacular baronial palace - the 17th century Plaza de Fefiñanes - which sits on the lovely main square of coastal Cambados. The facility was built in 1647 by viscount of Fefiñanes Gonzalo Sarmiento Valladares (1583-1659). They were the first producer to bottle wine under the D.O. Rías Baixas denomination, and the label design, which shows an engraving of the Fefiñanes Palace, dates back to 1928.

Palacio de Fefiñanes is currently owned by Juan Gil Careaga. Juan Gil is a respected winemaker, but he entrusts winemaking to the talented Cristina Mantilla, who also consults at several other prestigious estates in Galicia.

In the Rías Baixas region, where the vineyards are quite windy due to the proximity of the Atlantic Ocean, the wine gains a certain acidity and freshness. Vines are over 40 years old on average – some over 100 years old – and are all trained on trellises and planted on sandy soils, with some limestone and clay. The vineyards are grown at heights not much above sea level, enjoying the warm, damp Atlantic climate. Annual production is 11,000 cases.

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Fresh fruit aromas of apricot and peach slices with notes of lemon and green apple. Pretty notes of honey and wet nutmeg, and the mouth is round, clean, and pleasant with baked apple, honey, and lemon.

*"The regular Albariño...tends to show well early on and also age nicely for a few years in bottle. The 2019 Albariño de Fefiñanes feels unusually expressive and ready, very approachable, with a harmonious nose but with none of that reductive character often found in the early bottled wines. It's floral, varietal, aromatic and clean, with a balanced palate combining volume with great freshness. I tend to like this wine two or three years after the harvest. - Luis Gutiérrez"*

- Robert Parker's Wine Advocate (June 2020), 91 pts

### RATINGS

91 pts Wine Advocate

90 pts Wine Enthusiast

Vintage	2019	
Appellation	Rías Baixas	
Varietal(s)	100% Albariño	
Soil Type	Clay & limestone	
Vinification	Fermented in stainless steel vats and bottled in its first year.	
Size	12/750ml	/ 6/1.5L
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