

AP WINE IMPORTS

Ribeiro Blanco

The Estate: Founded in the late 1990s by the González family, who have been making Ribeiro wines since the 19th century. The winery property is an 18th-century court in Ribadavia, Galicia, Northwest Spain. Family-owned, with 50 acres of its own vineyards in the historic valley of the Avia River, D.O. Ribeiro, terraced along the river banks at 650 to 1,500 feet above sea level. Estate vineyards include previously abandoned "Socalcos" (terraced vineyards), some over 100 years old, which the family is recovering.

Location: DO Ribeiro, Galicia, Spain; vineyards exclusively in the Avia Valley.

Soil: Primarily granite-based "sábrego", but also slate schist and sand.

Vines: Hand-harvested; vineyards with different soil types and orientations.

Varietals: Albariño, Godello, Treixadura

Vinification: Grapes are hand-harvested, de-stemmed, and spontaneously fermented in stainless steel tanks, with each parcel kept separate.

Aging: Final blend aged 6 to 9 months in stainless steel on the lees before bottling.

Alcohol: 13.5%

Tasting Notes: Very bright straw yellow with greenish gleams. Intense aromas of white flowers, fennel, stone fruits, lychees, peach, and balsamic notes. Fresh, unctuous, and structured palate with exotic fruits, grapefruit, fresh herbs, mint, and a long finish.

