

# MAISONS MARQUES & DOMAINES



PAZO BARRANTES  
DESDE 1511



Pazo Barrantes

## Gran Vino Albariño

Rías Baixas, Spain  
Vintage: 2020

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### Overview

Pazo de Barrantes, a wine that captures the subtle flavor and freshness of albariño, comes from one of the largest single estates in Salnés Valley, Rías Baixas D.O. of Galicia, Spain. The wine's true albariño character is a direct reflection of the Creixell family's core values of quality and estate-owned vineyards, paired with a modern winemaking approach and the latest technology.

The grapes used to elaborate the wine are sourced from Pazo de Barrantes estate, with 30 acres divided into 8 different plots located around the winery. The shallow soils of the estate are granitic with sand on the surface and the average age of the vineyard is 40 years. The vines are trained high on supporting wires in the 'parral' trellis system (also known as Parron), as is the local tradition, to guard against mildew and rot, and to assist ripening.

### Winemaking

After an exhaustive hand-picked selection, the grapes are destemmed and pressed gently and slowly in a pneumatic press. The must is decanted by flotation to ensure greater aromatic purity and then fermented at 10°C in stainless steel tanks for approximately 60 days. After fermentation, the wine remains in contact with fine lees for two months inside the stainless steel tank.

7 months in stainless steel tanks, 15% in acacia wood barrels and 16 months in bottle.

### Tasting Notes

A wide nuanced nose with ripe yellow plum and medlar fruit, subtle notes of bergamot and verbena underpinned by a fine balsamic background. Vibrant palate, well-balanced, fresh and textured. It shows a long and splendid finish.

### Food Pairing

Pairs beautifully with grilled queen scallop over truffled potatoes and cavia, mille-feuille filled with smoked eel, white asparagus pudding, white shrimp with mint, marinated sardine, grapefruit jam and blood orange. The suggested serving temperature is 52°F.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietals: 100% Albariño  
Wine Alcohol: 13.5%  
Soil Composition: Granitic with sand on the surface  
Average Vine Age: 40 years