



VADIO BRANCO

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One of Portugal's most exciting all new wineries, Vadio is located in the Poutena village in the region of Bairrada. It is a small family project founded in 2005 by the winemaker Luís Patrão and his father that focuses on traditional local grapes such as Baga, Vercila and Bical from three small and very distinct vineyards. Luis was winemaker at one of the largest wineries in Portugal, but this is his labour of love, which he now manages with his wife Eduarda. The winery itself is a converted warehouse, which belonged to his father. The tiny vineyard area is being added to bit-by-bit with the vines are now worked organically, and certification on the way. The aim is to produce wines that maintain a link with the past, but expressed in a really attractive, drinkable style.

The Bairrada region lies between the mountainous Dão region and the Atlantic Ocean, which lends the region a mild, maritime climate with abundant rainfall. Most of the vineyards are small and subdivided, located on the on flatter land. There are two main types of soil: clay-limestone and sand, each influencing the style of the wines produced. From Bical and Cercial cordon-trained vines grown on sandy limestone soils.

Handpicked and destemmed with an initial cold soak, pneumatic pressing then cold settling, temperature controlled fermentation with selected yeasts in stainless steel tanks for the Cercial and old oak barrels for the Bical.

Grape: French Sauvignon Blanc such as Sancerre and Pouilly-Fumé

Tasting Notes: Pale and bright with hints of very pale lemon yellow. Aromas of citrus rind and green herbs leading to a taut, vibrant palate with crystalline acidity and a long, zesty finish. Great purity and precision.

Food Match: Ideal with simply grilled fish, light salads.

An alternative to: French Sauvignon Blanc such as Sancerre and Pouilly-Fumé

Closure: Natural Cork

Awards: Wine and Spirits: 92 pts
Jancis Robinson: 16.5 pts

Farming Practices: Vegan - Contains Sulfites

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