

Eladio Pineiro 2019 La Ola Albariño (Rias Baixas)

WineWise Code	SEP-OLA19
Country	Spain
Region	Rias Baixas
Color	White
ABV	13
Acidity	6.9
Residual Sugar	<1.1
Annual Cases Produced	1333 cases
Varieties	100% Albariño
Maceration Notes	8-10 hours
Vine Age (years)	37
Vine Yields (hl/ha)	6-8000 kg
Farming Practices	Bio-dynamic
Grape Picking	Hand-harvested



Notes from the producer:

More than 15 years of biodynamic viticulture. Yeast starter days before so it helps spontaneous fermentation with its own "wild" yeasts.

WineWise Notes:

In its strikingly shaped blue bottle, adorned with a totally original interactive label, this wine makes a huge impression even before you drink it. The “lightest” of Eladio’s wines, given a modest six months on the lees, it nonetheless has a penetrating nose and silky texture that make it dangerously easy to drink. 2019 is the current vintage and is as fresh as a daisy.

Eladio Pineiro is one of the wine world’s great personalities and innovators. It is not often that one encounters a producer who truly re-invents a genre, but that is what he has done with his unique approach to lees-aging. A very recent visit also found him experimenting with aging a wine in the sea (a truly remarkable outcome there) and, after six years of experimentation, producing a sparkling Albariño by the ancestral method that would frankly put many a champagne to shame.

The irrepressible Eladio is also the only producer we have met who employs not one but two full-time artists on his staff. The first, Daniel, is a talented cartoonist whose creations emblazon every new wine (including an annually changing label for Envidiacochina that is designed to track developments in the life of Eladio and his wife – some of which would be considered too racy in the U.S.A.). Daniel also designs all the packaging and publicity material, as well as serving as Eladio’s English interpreter.

Eladio also commissioned the unique and patented bottle shapes. Everything is bio-dynamic and the wines are as original as they sound. Don't miss them, and don't wait - total production is about 5,000 cases.