

Borsao Macabeo



Producer: Bodegas Borsao
Winemaker: Jose Luis Chueca
Country of Origin: Spain
Region of Origin: Campo de Borja
Grapes: Macabeo 100%
ABV: 12.5%
Case Size: 6x75cl
Vintage: 2015
Closure Type: Screw Cap



The One-Liner

A ripe, fruity and refreshing white from the region's premium producer.

Tasting Note

Fresh and floral nose with ripe peach and lemon. Nutty stone fruit characters are matched by a broad, textural palate and clean, fruity finish.

Producer Details

Bodegas Borsao was established in 1959. In 2001 it joined with two of the most progressive, co-operative, cellars in the Campo de Borja region to form a limited company.

Here in the Campo de Borja zone east of Rioja, grapes are sourced from over 700 member growers covering 2,400 hectares - nearly a third of the region's total. Vineyards lie in the undulating foothills of the Moncayo mountain, ranging from 350m to 850m above sea level. At lower levels vines are newer and may undergo some irrigation, but higher up the slopes the vines are older, unirrigated bush vines.

The climate is rather severe and arid, with hot dry days, and cool nights - which allow optimum acidity levels to be maintained within the grapes. Garnacha thrives in these conditions and represents 80% of total production. The Cierzo wind from the Moncayo brushes the foothills of the mountain. This cold, dry wind reduces humidity levels and allows grapes to be picked a couple of weeks later in the harvest, at full maturity.

Borsao has access to a large selection of vineyard plots at different altitudes, and hence to a wide range of great quality grapes. They are recognised for their entry level varietals - as outstanding examples of easy-to-drink inexpensive wines - as they are for their premium wines, in particular the iconic, multi award winning Tres Picos.

In The Vineyard

From 100% Macabeo grown on poor, stony soils in the foothills of the Moncayo mountain.

In The Winery

After chilling the must, a short period of skin contact is followed by long slow fermentation at controlled temperature.

Food Recommendations

Grilled white fish, prawns and mussels.