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The estate's vineyards cover 37 acres, with another 17 acres leased. Almost 100% are dedicated to Albariño, and almost all benefit from the natural terracing that characterizes this part of the river valley. The vines are more than 30 years old. The grapes are harvested by hand at the perfect state of ripeness and lightly crushed in order to obtain the free-run wine. The must is sent into a stainless steel vat for fermentation at a controlled temperature (61°F) that allows a better extraction of aromas. Once the fermentation is finished, the wine is racked, stabilized, filtered and bottled.

Situated just inside Spain at the northeastern tip of Portugal, Valtea sits in a privileged location at the edge of the river Miño, nestled in an area with a special microclimate where grapes ripen to a perfect level of maturity. While wine-maker Carla Gonzalez Chao emphasizes that the key to great wine are great grapes, there is no doubt that her special talents are responsible for capturing the fine balance of fruit and minerality.

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Tasting Note:

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Shelf Talker:



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