

# DO FERREIRO ALBARIÑO CEPAS VELLAS



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The famed Cepas Vellas Albariño from Do Ferreiro. Sourced from a 3.7-acre vineyard in front of the winery in the Salnés Valley at 150-250m. The vineyard was planted in 1785, with the current vines being over 200 years old. The soil is decomposed granite and sand. Considered by many to be the apex expression of Rías Baixas albariño, Cepas Vellas now stands with the great white wines of the world. Properly cellared, it is capable of improving for 10-20 years. The grapes are harvested by hand, destemmed and cold-soaked with the skins for five hours before fermentation. Fermentation with native yeasts from the Cepas Vellas vineyard in temperature-controlled stainless-steel tanks followed by 11 months aging on the lees without stirring.

Do Ferreiro is a small family winery in the historic heart of Spain's coastal Rías Baixas region, founded by Gerardo Mendez in 1973. Highly regarded for crafting albariño, the winery has become a reference point for the grape. They farm over 175 tiny plots (totaling 25 acres) of albariño by hand, located in the Salnés subzone of Rías Baixas. Gerardo Méndez was part of the original group of 14 growers who were integral in forming the original denomination of origin Rías Baixas in 1988. The first wine made by Gerardo without labels was in 1973, with the first labeled, vintage wine from Do Ferreiro appearing in 1986. Gerardo also began recovering old vineyards, introducing organic farming, and restoring traditional trellising methods. He lets his chickens roam through the vineyards the way his ancestors did in the past. Do Ferreiro was born from incredible raw material and an uncompromising dedication to quality, a legacy that continues today with his Gerardo's son, Manuel, and daughter, Encarna, all working together to craft Do Ferreiro. Today, Manuel and Encarna contribute to the same spirit of uncompromising quality to the family business as they also push the exploration of Rías Baixas into new, uncharted territory.

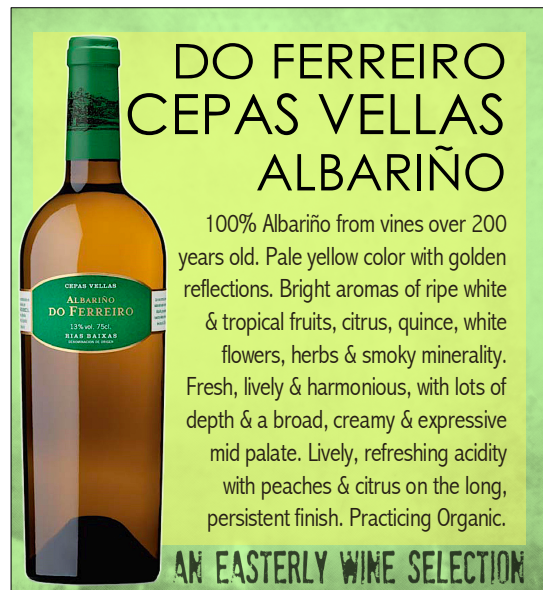
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## *Tasting Note:*

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## *Shelf Talker:*



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