



BENITO SANTOS

Galicia, Spain

Benito Santos is a central figure in the modern history of Albariño and the Rías Baixas D.O. He began working in his grandfather's vineyards in the 1930s and made wine for serving in his bar – wines that repeatedly won prizes in the annual Fiesta de Albariño in Cambados. He was instrumental in the creation of the Rías Baixas D.O. in the 1980s. The current owners now farm three vineyards in the Val do Salnés subzone of Rías Baixas, each of which is next to and named after an ancient church: Saiar, Bemil, and Xoan. All of the vineyards are now certified organic – a rarity in rainy, mildew-prone Rías Baixas – and winemaking uses only native yeasts and minimal sulfur. Benito Santos wines are salty, mineral, and structured, with ample fruit but none of the overly tropical flavors of many industrially-produced Albariños.



Saiar Albariño 12/750ml

From a vineyard in Salnés; vinified in tank with minimal sulfur. The wine spends a few months on the lees before bottling.

Technical Specifications

Product Type: White Wine

Appellation: Rias Baixas

Varietal: Albarino

Farming Type: Sustainable