



VIÑA MEIN

Far back in Spain's history, Ribeiro was a prominent wine producing area. Its white wines gained great fame during the sixteenth century, but this fame was not to last. Slowly, the popularity of wines from the area decreased and production slowed until the great wines of Ribeiro were forgotten by the world. The locals never forgot their winemaking heritage, however.

In 1988 a group of friends from San Clodio y Gomariz decided that they should revitalize this ancient viticultural area. At the forefront of this group was Viña Mein founder Javier Alén. With a little help from his friends, Javier replanted 16 hectares of vineyards on the hillsides of the Avia River. The focus for these vineyards was to reestablish some of the ancient varietals of Galician white grapes: Treixadura, Godello, Loureiro, Torrontés, Albariño and Albilla. As an experimental side project, they also planted 400 vines of red Galician grapes that include Caíño, Mencía and Ferrón.

Today Javier crafts his wine from a blend built around the local favorite varietal of Treixadura. By adding some of his Godello and Loureira (along with small amounts of Albariño, Torrontés, Albilla and Caíño) he creates the aromatic, tasty and deliciously refreshing Viña Mein.



Viña Mein D.O. Ribeiro

Tasting Notes: Made from a blend of mostly Treixadura (70%) with Godello, Loureira, Albariño, Torrontés and Lado. This wine is fermented in stainless steel with extended aging on the lees. Clear gold color. Fresh quince and green apple skin aromas. The palate is bright and tart with a good fleshy palate. Refreshing stuff.

