

Monvedro (Green Wine)

The 2019 Terra do Rio Monvedro has emulated the Vinho Verde wine style (green wine), meaning wines are released 3-6 month after harvest, raw & fresh.

Like the Riverland (home of Terra do Rio and the largest wine producing region in Australia) Vinho Verde is also the largest wine growing region of Portugal. The wines from Vinho Verde are known for their vibrant fruit, low alcohol and a slightly effervesce mouth feel (traditionally caused by malolactic fermentation finishing in the bottle). While considered a wine fault, the winemakers' of Vinho Verde enjoyed the slightly fizzy characteristic of these young and unfinished wines.

The grape varieties and wine styles used in the making of wines from Vinho Verde are abundant. These wines can be red, white or rosé and can be made into sparkling, table or late harvest wines (even Brandy).

Terra do Rio has used the Portuguese grape variety Monvedro (not a traditional grape from Vinho Verde) to make this wine (also known as Tinta Caiada and Parraleta). Only three tonnes of this variety is grown hence production is very limited (70 cases). Monvedro is a low yielding grape variety that produces grapes with floral aromatics. The grapes were hand harvest at 10.5 Baume and whole bunch pressed. The result is a light red wine with a touch of fizz.

Harvested in March 2019, the final wine was bottled in June the same year. Living up to the reputation of Vinho Verde.

Total Production - 70 cases

