



White Wine
 Listán Blanco
 Sustainable, Vegan-Friendly, Volcanic
 Dry
 Light Bodied
 750ml
 12.5% alc./vol



Viñátigo Listán Blanco 2019

Canary Islands, Spain

92 Points - Wine Align

\$27.95 per bottle (\$335.40 per case)

12 bottles per case

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Crisp & Salty

Juan Jesús, who is a 4th generation winemaker, founded Viñátigo in 1990 and has worked tirelessly since then identifying, recuperating the native grapes of the Canary Islands. The grape Listán Blanco de Canarias was brought to the Canary Islands in the 18th century by the Andalusian conquerors. Viñátigo cultivates it in the high-lands that sit at 500 meters of altitude.

The vines are trained in 'parrales', a training method inherited by the Portuguese community that settled on the northern part of the island back in the 15th century. These vertical structures adapt to the hills and ravines created by the last eruptions of Teide volcano towards the north of the island. This wine is very fresh and has a vibrant acidity. On the nose, it has fragrant aromas of fennel, dried fruits and fig tree leaves; as well as a distinct mineral quality that is a result of the volcanic soils.

This crisp white calls for grilled fish, potatoes and 'mojo verde', a typical sauce from the Islands made of garlic, cilantro and olive oil.

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About the Winery

Viñátigo

Juan Jesús is a proud native of Tenerife and the fourth generation of growers. During the thirty years that he's overseen Bodegas Viñátigo, he has considerably increased its holdings, planting varieties that he and his team recuperated from near extinction.

VIÑÁTIGO

Driven by passion and love for his homeland, Juan decided to revive and work to save all the native grape varieties that were brought to the Canary Islands by the conquerors back in the 15th century and that had survived on the islands for centuries. However, these grapes were about to disappear. Viticulture was being abandoned in the archipelago and international varieties were being planted to appeal to the international market, that was until Viñátigo rescued them.

Press Reviews

Wine Align

92 Points - John Szabo

From ancient, pergola-trained, own-rooted vines, described on the label as pre-phylloxera (though phylloxera has never arrived in the Canary Islands), this is explosive, aromatic listán blanco, aka palomino, among the most intriguing and flavourful that I have tried. It's an essence of liquid stone, smoky and sulfide-tinged, with essential oil of resinous herbs, lemon thyme and rosemary, shifting slowly into tropical fruit, pineapple, and so much more. The palate is broad, fresh, sharp but not angular, with no wood detected, though also intensely flavoured, with terrific length, highly volcanic. Terrific wine, and a steal at the price in my view. Tasted December 2020.

91 Points - Michael Godel

The quick refresher on the grape listán blanco reminds us that it was brought to the Canary Islands in the 18th century by Andalusian conquerors. Viñátigo cultivates on volcanic terroir at 500m with vines trained in "parrales," a vertical method for adaptation to hillsides over ravines inherited by the Portuguese that settled on the northern part of the island back in the 15th century. Imagine alvarinho and albariño styles merging in hyperbole or a doubling down upon themselves so that crisp freshness and also sweet herbals are magnified in the greatest of ways. So unique and layered, sumptuous and satisfying. Drink 2020-2024. Tasted December 2020.

90 Points - David Lawrason

From the volcanic soils of the Canary Islands, there is distinct smoky/sulphuric cast to the nose of this nervy, dry white - I think from the volcanic soils. It is mineral to its core. Fruit descriptors are elusive other than grapefruit perhaps. But there is peppery spice, and salinity. It is medium weight, firm and dry but not the least austere. The length is excellent. Tasted December 2020

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