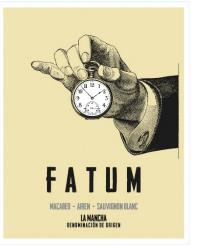
Fatum Airen-Macabeo-Sauvignon Blanc 2017 (White Wine)



After working for 10 years with his father at the eponymous estate in La Mancha, Manuel Manzaneque Suarez has started both consulting for other wineries and his own project, *¡Ea!*. The project is focused on old vine Cencibel (Tempranillo) from La Mancha, one of the regions with the best price to quality ratios in the world. He only sources fruit from old vineyards that offer excellent raw material.

In 2013, he expanded his range of wines to include two new wines driven by the same philosophy and pride in autochthonous varieties of grapes, called *Fatum*, meaning Destiny or Fate. He further expanded the range in 2014 bottling an extremely limited production wine from a uniquely sandy site called *Mil Cepas*, or one thousand vines.

| Appellation | La Mancha D.O. |
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| Grapes | 50% Airen, 35% Macabeo, 15% Sauvignon Blanc, from vines averaging 35-years-old |
| Altitude / Soil | 750 meters / large stones over clay, lime-rich clay |
| Farming Methods | Practicing Organic |
| Harvest | Hand harvested into small boxes |
| Production | Destemmed grapes see 12-hour skin maceration, fermented in stainless steel tanks |
| Aging | Aged on lees with battonage in stainless steel tanks |
| UPC / SCC / Pack | 8-437006-184809 // 12 |

Reviews:

"The 2017 Fatum Blanco is composed of a very unique blend of sixty percent Macabeu, thirty-five percent Airen and five percent Sauvignon Blanc. The grapes are from organically farmed vineyards and the wine is fermented and aged in stainless steel tanks, with four months of the elevage done on the fine lees. The wine offers up an impressively complex nose of pear, lime blossoms, a hint of green olive, salty soil tones and a topnote of wild fennel. On the palate the wine is deep, full-bodied and quite broad-shouldered, with a fine core of fruit, vibrant acids and very good length and grip on the complex and well-balanced finish. This is a fairly big wine for a Spanish white wine, but with plenty of personality and bounce. I cannot think of anything similar I have tasted, but the unique combination of grapes really works nicely here! Good juice and an absolute bargain! 2020-2025."

89 points View from the Cellar; Issue #86 - March/April 2020

"Vivid straw-gold. Fresh melon and pear aromas are brightened by spicy white pepper and ginger accents. Taut and seamless on the palate, offering fresh orchard and citrus fruit and honeydew flavors and a frisson of succulent herbs. Finishes tight and nervy, with spicy lift and good tenacity. 2021- 2023." **89 points Vinous;** Josh Raynolds – February 2021

