

Txakoli Malda 2019 (White Wine)



Txakoli Zudugarai is a family-run business where the effort and dedication of three generations converge to produce a classic, traditional style of Txakoli. They grow the only txakoli vineyard located within a natural park in Basque country, just 7 kilometers from the Atlantic ocean. Both Hondarrabi Zuri (white) and Hondarrabi Beltza (red) grapes are raised on trellises above the humid ground that grants Txakoli Zudugarai with a perfect coolness and noticeable minerality. Txakoli Malda offers fresh, fruity flavor, perfect freshness with a citric, juicy start and filled with a salty end.

Zudugarai directly controls every process of elaboration, not only in its cellars but also hand harvesting the grapes in its vineyards, keeping the essence and personality of txakoli. The latest technologies are assimilated in a traditional way for elaborating txakoli to produce an original wine.

Appellation	Getariako Txakolina D.O.
Grapes	100% Hondarribi Zuri
Altitude / Soil	70-100 meters / clay soils
Farming Methods	Traditional methods
Harvest	Hand harvested in mid-late September into small boxes
Production	Clusters are sorted for cleanliness, then pressed. Fermented in stainless steel tanks
Aging	Aged for a few months on fine lees prior to bottling
UPC / SCC / Pack	8437005039193 / 8437005039216 / 12

Reviews:

“Fresh renditions of well-made Txakoli (say, “chah-kuh-lee”) is undoubtedly among the handful of most refreshing wines in the world—if not the single most refreshing, even surpassing Portugal’s Vinho Verde. Both are picked early to retain acidity and keep alcohol down, and are also bottled early with some residual carbon dioxide from the natural fermentation process, adding just a bit of spritz that provides even more “lift” and refreshment value. This is a particularly successful example of the breed, with wonderful aromas and flavors recalling squeezed lime juice and tart green apple. If you love acidic wines, this is the ticket, and if you love unadorned, freshly shucked oysters, this is the ticket to heaven.”

91 points *Wine Review Online*; Michael Franz - July 7, 2020

“The 2019 Txakoli Malda from Bodegas Zudugarai is composed entirely of Hondarrabi Zuri and is fermented and raised in stainless steel tanks. It offers up a very pretty, expressive nose of breadfruit, a touch of casaba, lemongrass, salty minerality and a topnote of dried flowers. On the palate the wine is vibrant, medium-full and gently frizzante, with nice mid-palate depth, good mineral undertow and a long, nicely balanced finish.

Good juice. 2021-2027.”

90 points *View From The Cellar*; John Gilman – Issue #91 January/February 2021

“Made from Hondarribi Zurri grapes, this shows a wonderful degree of freshness with layers of salted Marcona almond, lime rind and white grapefruit with a great veil of tension and length. Enjoy this beautiful wine loaded with mouth-watering acidity, over the next several years. Drink 2020-2025.”

90 points *Washington Wine Blog*; Dr. Owen J. Bargreen, CS - July 2020

