



## JOSÉ MARIA URETA

WINEMAKER

José Maria Ureta is the scion of one of the oldest winemaking families in Spain. The tradition began with his great-grandfather, who ran a bulk wine business in Rioja.

José Maria inherited the family passion for winemaking and followed in his ancestors' footsteps.

José Maria began his career in Rioja D.O. with the Faustino Group, a team of top oenologists who pool their vast knowledge to produce great wines. One year later, José

Maria received an offer from La Val, a new winery with great future prospects, located in his hometown of Rias Baixas. His career at La Val has been extremely successful, and in 2002 he earned the prestigious Knights of the Albariño award, "Joven Albariñense Capitulo Serenismo del Albariño," given each year to a young oenologist who shows great potential. He has also earned medals at the Challenge Internacional du Vin and various other wine competitions around the world.

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## »BARONA«

RIAS BAIXAS

ALBARIÑO

### VINEYARDS | WINEMAKING

Rocky soils with 18-year old Albariño vines sit high atop the hills overlooking the inlet in the Rosal region of Rias Baixas. Picked by hand in small baskets. Prefermentation maceration and bottled unfiltered.

### GRAPES

100% Albariño. Picked: September 9–25, 2004.

### TASTING NOTES

*Aroma:* Redolent with floral notes and hints of grapefruit and fresh herbs. *Taste:* Full bodied with apricot and peach flavors, lingering acidity and a rich, creamy texture.