

ASTOBIZA WINES

## **ASTOBIZA TXAKOLI**

Astobiza is a modern producer of of wines from the tiny Txakoli de Alava D.O. in the Basque region of northern Spain. Astobiza produces Txakoli in a serious style which foregoes adding CO2 to the wines. We think our serious approach to creating wines of quality, our state-of-the-art winery, and uniqueness of our sustainably farmed vineyard sites give us a distinct edge amongst the three Txakoli appellations. Our winery is in the town of Okando, about 30 minutes from Bilbao. The estate is composed of seven micro plots, and encompasses 10 hectares total under vine. The estate is located very close to the Cantrabrian Sea, and is influenced by both maritime and continental climates. This unique climatic zone and vineyards planted at 820 feet altitude are particularly favorable to cultivate Hondarrabi Zuri, the local Basque white grape.

Txakoli de Alava ,Basque Country



Our state of the art winery was build specifically to facilitate the production of Txakoli and was completed in 2006. After hand picking, the grapes are chilled to preserve acidity and freshness. The destemmed fruit is carefully sorted at the winery. Following a cold and slow fermentation, using native yeast, the wine is gently pressed off the skins. The wine is held in stainless steel tanks until it is bottled as the estate's flagship wine. Our estate soils of chalk, clay, and organic matter which are high in Ph, help create the desirable minerality in the wine. Astobiza has delicious and bright fresh fruit, while retaining the classic brilliant acidity that Txakoli has always been known for. Look for a straw yellow color with shades of green. Varietal aromas are of crisp apple, citrus (grapefruit), and fresh peach and stone fruit. One of the benchmarks of Txakoli is the fresh palate and clean acidity.



Appellation: Txakoli de Alava D.O. Varietals: 100% Hondarrabi Zuri

Fermentation: Stainless steel

Aging: Stainless steel

Alcohol: 12.6% RS: 1.3 g/l Production: 6000 cases Winemaker: José Hidalgo Togores & Ana Martin Onzain

Proprietor: Abando-Moyua family

Fruit source: Single vineyard, estate fruit

Age of vines: 20 years old Soil type: Chalky Clay Farming: Sustainable Elevation: 820 feet