



ALTHAY · LANZAROTE, CANARY ISLANDS

Casa Althay 2023



PRODUCER	Althay
GRAPES	Malvasía Volcánica 60%, Listán Blanco 40%
VINTAGE	2023
ALCOHOL	13%
BOTTLES PRODUCED	9,000 bottles
REGION	Lanzarote, Canary Islands
ITEM NO.	19487801 Vinmonopolet
SERVING	10–12 °C in a slightly larger glass. It opens up after a few minutes.

NOSE

Sea water, honey, hay and black sand, with a marked mineral edge.

PALATE

Citrus, fresh peach and mineral salinity, concentrated, with a long finish.

ABOUT THE WINE

Broad in the shoulders, where the island's whites are most often lean. Four tenths Listán Blanco give honey and dried hay over the volcanic salinity, and the wine stays long in the mouth afterwards. Nine thousand bottles, from a single restored vineyard.



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THE CRAFT

How it is made

The road from grape to bottle, step by step, as the winery itself describes it.

- 1 THE VINEYARD**
Malvasía Volcánica and Listán Blanco from a single restored vineyard, in the garden beside the Althay house in La Geria.
- 2 HARVEST**
Picked by hand, sorted and pressed.
- 3 FERMENTATION**
Fermented spontaneously under controlled temperature between 17 and 19 °C, normally three to four weeks.
- 4 MALOLACTIC**
Full malolactic fermentation, normally four to six weeks. The sharper malic acid is converted into softer lactic acid.
- 5 MATURING**
The wine is divided between concrete tanks and 500-litre French oak casks and matures there for about ten months. The concrete keeps the freshness and the clean mineral line; the large casks give gentle oxygen, structure and depth without pronounced oak.
- 6 BLENDING**
The parts are brought back together, stabilised and bottled. Made without the use of fining agents. About twelve months from harvest to bottling, thirteen to fifteen to market.

WHAT SETS IT APART

Full malolactic fermentation, and maturing divided between concrete tanks and large French oak casks.



THE WINERY BEHIND THE WINE

The other end of the island, and of the thinking. A few thousand bottles a year from old, ungrafted vines, fermented on their own yeasts and bottled after very gentle filtration. No safety net, and no attempt to make the wine simpler than it is.

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