



FORWARD-THINKING PAZO BARRANTES 2013 MOVES TO SCREWCAP FOR THE UK MARKET

Pazo Barrantes, the leading Galician winery owned by innovative producer Marques de Murrieta, have made the move to bottle their award winning 2013 Albariño in screw cap for key markets, including the UK.

The bottle keeps all the quality cues from the corked version such as the etched logo and the painted label, but the wine can be enjoyed more easily at occasions such as picnics, barbeques and al fresco dining. The Pazo Barrantes logo reveals the wine's floral characteristics: fresh fragrances of white flowers, camellias, hydrangeas and leafy white petals.

Marias Vargas, Head Winemaker at Marqués de Murrieta and Pazo Barrantes said "Various studies have shown that the screw cap closure lets through less oxygen than the original cork closure, helping to preserve the wine from possible oxidation and better maintaining the characteristics of the albariño varietal, during the time in bottle. We conducted an experiment on a smaller scale to see what would happen and these are the results we found. For a young wine where acidity and freshness play an important part, I feel screw cap is ideally suited."

La Comtesse de Pazo Barrantes, the super-premium barrel-fermented, old vine albariño they produce will remain under cork. The 2011 vintage is set for UK release in late September.

ABOUT PAZO BARRANTES:

In the heart of the Salnes Valley in the Rias Baixas, the Creixell family - owners of the famous Rioja estate Marqués de Murrieta – created Pazo Barrantes. The family home - an imposing 16th Century manor house - is the centre of this 12 hectares winery. Founded in 1991 and equipped with the latest technology, today the winery has a production of 200,000 bottles per year.



If you are interested in requesting a sample, a quote or finding out more about any of the Pazo Barrantes or Marqués de Murrieta wines from Maisons Marques et Domaines, please contact jackie.brown@mmdltd.co.uk