



2019 Maria Papoila Lour./Alvarinho Vinho Verde DOC

Review by Mark Squires

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Rating: 88

Drink: 2021 - 2024

Cost: \$15-18

The 2019 Maria Papoila Loureiro & Alvarinho is a 70/30 blend, unoaked, with four grams of residual sugar, 7.2 total acidity and 11.7% alcohol. About what it typically is, this is still a nice vintage for this. It is fresh and fairly perky, with reasonable substance and a tasty finish. The modest sugar—it should certainly be considered dry—is well under control, the acidity slightly more in charge. It is well balanced, especially at this point in its life, with a little bit more age on it (many 2020s are coming soon). This should continue drinking well at least for the next few years, but it is hard to imagine that it will be better than it is now or will be over the next few months.