



2017 Maria Papoila Alvarinho/Loureiro

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Rating: 87

Drink: 2018 - 2020

Cost: \$14-15

The 2017 Maria Papoila Alvarinho & Loureiro is a 30/70 blend, unoaked, dry and coming in at 11.5% alcohol. This lovely bottling has lift to the fruit and a feeling of liveliness that the Maria Bonita brands do not have. The styles are different—this seems like it is lighter and dances over the tongue. The concentration is more modest, at least perceptibly, but this seems more enlivening. This will be even easier to drink on its own. Overall, they both do great in their own ways at nice prices for real wine.