



# VALKYRIE

SELECTIONS



## DOMITIA



## PICPOUL 2017

**DOMITIA** || Domitia is a selection of vineyards from Domaine Guillamarine, owned by sixth generation growers Guillaume Allies and his wife, Marion. This estate is located in the small, tranquil village of Pomerols in Southern France's Languedoc region. The vineyards face a salted lake called 'Bassin de Thau' adjacent to the Mediterranean Sea, where oyster beds abound. The vineyards benefit from a gentle micro-climate which helps grapes reach ideal ripeness and therefore produce lively, fruit-driven wines.

**PICPOUL DE PINET** || One of only two exclusively white wine AOCs in the Côteaux de Languedoc, Picpoul de Pinet overlooks the salt water lagoon of the Bassin de Thau, where oysters and mussels are farmed. Affectionately referred to as the "Muscadet" of the south, the name 'Picpoul' means 'lip-stinger' in Occitan, referring to its naturally high acidity levels. The AOC consists of a triangle bounded by Agde, Pézenas and Sète: a limestone plateau basking in the rising sun covered in highly perfumed garrigue, rows of vines, and scattered pine groves.

### PICPOUL DE PINET 2017 ||

**BLEND** | 100% Piquepoul

**VINEYARDS** | This is a selection of organic plots reserved for the family's own production, while 90% of their grapes are sold to the local cooperatives. The vineyard is located on soft slopes overlooking the lagoon with limestone/chalk soils.

**WINEMAKING** | Vinification and élevage in stainless steel tanks.

**ALCOHOL** | 12.5%

**BAR CODE** | 91037869449

**TASTING NOTES** | The wine is somewhat of an anomaly -estate Picpoul - as the lion's share of the wines from this AOC are produced in the cooperatives. The wine shows surprising complexity with notes of spring flowers and a streak of minerality that provide a beautiful framework. Because the wine finishes with such clean and bracing acidity, the rich mid-palate of melon and stone fruit is a delightful surprise. This charming wine begs for warm & sunny days, shellfish & seafood.

