



Verdelho B



Name of vine variety in France

Verdelho

Origin

Verdelho is a Portuguese variety found on Madeira and in the Douro valley.

Synonymy

There is no officially recognized synonym for this variety in France. In Spain and in Italy, Verdelho B can officially be called "Verdello".

Regulations

In France, Verdelho B is officially listed in the "Catalogue of vine varieties".

This variety is likewise listed in the Catalogues of other European Union member states: Bulgaria, Spain, Portugal and Italy.

Use

Wine grape variety.

Evolution of area under vines in France



Description

Identification signs include:

- the tips of the young shoot have a moderate coat of flat-lying hairs,
- the young leaves are green with bronze patches,
- orbicular or slightly kidney-shaped adult leaves, whole or with shallow lateral sinuses, a U-shaped slightly open or closed petiole sinus; small to moderate teeth, short except those corresponding to principle veins which are longer; low to moderate anthocyanin coloration of veins; bubbled leaf blade, folded at the petiole point and the underside with a sparse coat of flat-lying hairs,
- elliptical-shaped berries.

Genetic profile

Microsatellite	VVS2	VVMD5	VVMD7	VVMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VVMD25	VVMD28	VVMD32
Allel 1	131	219	239	178	194	248	240	233	255
Allel 2	149	229	257	186	196	252	248	245	271

Phenology

Bud burst: 4 days after Chasselas. Grape maturity: period II, 1 and 1/2 to 2 weeks after Chasselas.

Suitability for cultivation and agronomic production

Verdelho B has moderate to strong vigor with semi-erect horizontal growth. It can be short or moderately long pruned and is preferably trellised.

Sensitivity to diseases and pests

Verdelho B is not very sensitive to downy mildew and to grey rot but is somewhat sensitive to powdery mildew.

Technological potential

Verdelho B grape clusters are small to moderate size and the berries are moderate size. Sugar potential is moderate to good. This variety produces dry and sweet wines which are appreciated, elegant and perfumed with good acidity and good ageing capacity.

Clonal selection in France

The 2 approved Verdelho B clones carry the numbers 6005 and 6006.

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Description of clones approved in France

Clone number	Identity and availability		Agronomic data		Technical data	
	Origin	Selection	Fertility	Production level	Sugar content	Potential color
6005	Year approved	Agronomic references	Weight of grape bunches	Vigor	Total acidity	Tannic structure
	Growing surface area		Size of berries	Sensitivity to Botrytis	Aromatic intensity	Oenological aptitudes
	Maine-et-Loire 2006	IFV Languedoc	medium medium medium	medium	medium medium	distinctive wines of the vine variety
6006	Year approved	Agronomic references	Fertility	Production level	Sugar content	Potential color
	Growing surface area		Weight of grape bunches	Vigor	Total acidity	Tannic structure
	Maine-et-Loire 2006	IFV Languedoc	low medium medium	low	medium medium	distinctive wines of the vine variety

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