

**92****2016 Romana Vini Brut Nature Reserva Berbereta**

The 2016 Brut Nature Reserva Berbereta is approximately two-thirds Arinto and one-third Chardonnay coming in very dry and with 12% alcohol. About 20% of the juice was oak-fermented. It was disgorged February 27, 2019, after two years. (The disgorgement date is not on the label, but there is only one disgorgement.) The wine's name is an old term for "butterfly" in Portuguese. Quite gorgeous, this crisp and energetic Brut Nature finishes long and dry, the fruit lifted, fresh and moderately complex. The finish is piercing. This could age very well, but it is very exciting now. This runs around 25 euros in Portugal but is not imported.

- Mark Squires (June, 2019)

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