

# Flare N/V



**Winery:** Anecoop

**Region:** Valencia D.O.

**Grapes:** 100% Muscat of Alexandria

**Winery:** This winery sources fruit from over most of Valencia. Moscatel is a key grape, especially in the eastern portions of the D.O. and is a great base for wines that focus on bright and fruity flavors.

**D.O.** One of the most export focused D.O.s in Spain due to the proximity to the port in Valencia. Wine from the region was mentioned by Juvenal in the 2nd century BC. The region produces red, white, rose and sweet wines from 4 distinct subregions.

**Climate:** The coastal vineyards have a usual Mediterranean climate. The inland growing regions have a more continental climate with temperature swings of 70 degrees Fahrenheit a day possible during the growing season.

**Soil:** The soils vary considerably by subregion but generally include brown or red, limestone derived soils along with some clay or sand depending on the region.

**Wine:** This wine is produced from Valencia's viticultural star, Moscatel. However, unlike more traditional, fortified styles, this wine's residual sugar is not due to fortification but to arrested fermentation. Tank fermented until reaching 7.5% alcohol and then chilled and sterile filtered to remove the yeast. Carbonation is created through the Charmat method.

## Reviews:

“Pale straw. Fresh pear, melon and lichee aromas are brightened by white flowers and nutmeg. Frothy and deep in sweet tropical fruit flavors but nicely energized by mineral and spice qualities that carry into the finish. A touch short but plenty fresh and vibrant. Serve this with fresh fruit as a mid-course or simple dessert.”

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