

Bia B

Wine grape variety.



Origin

Bia is an old variety from the Isère valley and the Rhône region.

Use

Wine grape variety.

Name of the variety in France

Bia

Synonymy

In France, this variety can officially be called "Bia blanc" regarding plant propagation material.

Regulatory data

In France, Bia is officially listed in the "Catalogue of vine varieties" since 2011 on the A list and classified.

Description elements

The identification is based on:

- the tip of the young shoot with a high density of prostrate hairs,
- the green young leaves with slightly bronze spots,
- the shoots with a ribbed surface,
- the circular adult leaves, with five or seven lobes, fairly deep lateral sinuses, an open U-shaped petiole sinus, small to medium teeth with straight sides, no anthocyanin coloration of veins, a flat or slightly involute, finely blistered leaf blade, and on the lower side of the leaves, a low to medium density of erect and prostrate hairs,
- the slightly ellipsoid berries.

Evolution of cultivated areas in France

Year	1958	1968	1979	2018
ha	21	10	0.1	0.1

Genetic profile

Microsatellite	VVS2	VMD5	VMD7	VMD27	VRZAG62	VRZAG79	VMD25	VMD28	VMD32
Allele 1	135	225	257	186	188	252	238	216	239
Allele 2	149	236	260	191	194	260	262	257	261

Cultivation and agronomic skills

Bia is moderately vigorous, with a semi-erect bearing, and is generally pruned long.

Susceptibility to Diseases and Pests

Bia is a little susceptible to downy mildew and grey rot.

Clonal selection in France

The only certified Bia clone carries the number 1282.

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Phenology

Bud burst: 5 days after Chasselas.
Grape maturity: late-season, 3 weeks and a half after Chasselas.

Technological potential

Bia's bunches and berries are medium in size. This variety, with a very good balance between sugar potential and acidity, produces pleasant, elegant and slightly aromatic wines.



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