



2018 ALBARIÑO

ESTATE GROWN – SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

The 2018 Albariño is an assertively elegant and varietally expressive wine that speaks to the sandy riverbed soils and brisk marine climate of our estate vineyard.

ESTATE VINEYARD

The 35-acre Brick Barn estate vineyard lies just north of the Santa Ynez River in a largely unexplored winegrowing corridor near the city of Buellton in the western Santa Ynez Valley. Here, persistent sun exposure ensures ripe flavors, while the Pacific Ocean—just 10 miles away—delivers daily cooling that maintains fruit acidity and structure. Our Chardonnay is planted to two small blocks totaling eight acres. Here, sandy riverbed soils foster pure varietal character in our Chardonnay, while the persistent Pacific breezes help maintain vibrant acidity right through full maturity. Tight 6x3 vine spacing ensures that yields are kept in check for the sake of natural flavor intensity.

WINEMAKING

Our vision is to remain true to the varietal authenticity of classic Spanish Albariño, producing a wine that is full-flavored yet also crisp and refreshing. After night harvesting, the clusters were partially de-stemmed and left on the skins for three hours prior to pressing, allowing the fruit to uptake tertiary complexities. After pressing and cold settling, the juice was fermented in stainless steel over a period of 12 days. After fermentation, the wine was racked to stainless steel tanks, where it matured for nine months prior to bottling. Stainless steel was exclusively employed during fermentation and aging to ensure the retention of delicate aromatics and bright fruit flavors.

TASTING NOTES

The 2018 Albariño offers vibrant aromas of grapefruit and stone fruit with notes of sea breeze salinity. The palate is sleek and refreshing, presenting lively flavors of citrus, peach pit, green apple, honeydew melon and nectarine. Mouthwatering acidity carries a bright, clean finish.



VINEYARD

Block 1

CLONE

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AGING

9 Months in 100% Stainless Steel

pH 3.19 **TA** .69 **ALC** 14.3%

MSRP \$38