

2015 Albariño Santa Barbara County

We are so thrilled to have this new wine in our line-up! I first got interested in wine through a Spanish friend and Master Sommelier I worked with in San Francisco. I like to say I was weaned on Spanish varietals and I have always known I would try my hand at one sooner or later. Last year, when some Albariño became available from a new vineyard right down the street from the winery, I knew it was time to jump in. The yield was really small from this first crop so I also sourced a ton from River Bench vineyard in Santa Maria to round out the wine. Fermented entirely in stainless steel, the goal here is all about a light and bright wine with crisp acidity and lots of aromatics.

Tasting Note: The color here is bright yellow gold and shimmers in the glass. On the nose crisp citrus and floral aromatics vie with raw almonds and a twinge of grassiness. The citrus continues on the palate along with stone fruits, more of the almond/nutty flavor and vibrant acidity that is Albariño's cornerstone.

Only 120 cases produced 100% Albariño 60% Brick Barn Vineyard, 40% River Bench Vineyard 13.8% alcohol 3.38 pH 7.22 g/L TA Retail Price: \$28.00