



2014 SV GISBORNE ALBARIÑO 'BELL-RINGER'

SUSTAINABLE WINE NZ REGISTRATION NUMBER: SW644B9526B4

Winemakers Notes

Albariño hails from the North West of Spain and Northern Portugal. This wine is so named because it tastes and smells as pure as the peal of a bell, and it was grown by Doug and Delwyn Bell in their vineyard just outside of Gisborne. Vintage 2014 was tremendous in Gisborne and we were able to harvest fruit of real quality. This tank fermented wine was handpicked and whole bunch pressed to give us juice of great character and flavour. Our inputs were minimal and were all designed to preserve as much purity as we were able to do. We have only used the 'free run' juice from each pressing to craft this wine.

Analysis

Alc 13.5% **Acid** 7.7 g/L **Res Sugar** 6.2 g/L **pH** 3.28

Tasting Notes

Colour: At bottling the wine was very pale with light yellow/green tints. With time we expect that it will develop some pale gold hints.
Bouquet: Pure and fresh, with hints of citrus zest and peach.
Palate: Medium bodied and zesty. This wine has a brilliant acid line and this gives the palate real length and vigour

Cellaring

Thus far, our Albarinos have been aging more slowly than we expected. The wine is delightful in its youth, but may well age beautifully into the medium term.

Food Matches

Perfect with seafood, chicken and paella

Independent Reviewer's Comment

"Crisp, dry and zesty Albarino, showing pure white peach and lemon flavours. It is round and creamy with decent weight in the mouth. Excellent varietal character with intense flavour concentration indicative of low yields. Deee-licious." 92/100, Rebecca Gibb December 2014

Awards

Gold Medal – Bragato Wine Awards 2014

Silver Medal – Australia Alternate Varieties Wine Show 2014

Four Stars – Winestate Magazine May/June 2015