



*Estate Grown & Bottled*

## **2023 Albariño, Don Miguel Vineyard** *Estate Grown, Estate Bottled*

### **Why Albariño?**

Albariño has been known to produce outstanding wines in the cool, rainy climate of Galicia, in Northwest Spain. We first planted it in our Sonoma Coast vineyard, but that proved too cold for ripening even a cool-climate variety like this. After four years, we gave up and grafted the budwood from those vines onto our slightly warmer Russian River Valley estate. We are very excited that it is now thriving in the Don Miguel Vineyard!

### **The Don Miguel Vineyard**

Named after the late patriarch of the Torres family, this vineyard is located in the Green Valley — the coolest, foggiest region of the Russian River Valley, only ten miles from the Pacific. The Albariño is trained in a cordon style with alternating spurs (we call them alligator teeth), which adds width to the fruit zone and provides optimum air flow and light.

### **The Vinification**

The grapes were harvested September 11 - 13, gently whole-cluster pressed and fermented in stainless steel tanks. After the primary fermentation, the wine rested on its lees until bottled, in March 2023.

### **Tasting Notes**

Tropical aromas of ripe fruit like yellow nectarines, apricots and stone fruits, with notes of pineapple and mango. On the palate it is zesty and aromatic, with rich mouthfeel, clean and mineral – but also with a note of sunshine from California! I would recommend serving it at 45°- 48° F with raw or grilled seafood, smoked salmon, sushi and Asian cuisine — and for sure, with tapas!

**Marimar Torres**  
**Founder & Proprietor**

**667 cases produced (all in 750-ml bottles)**

**Suggested California Retail: \$34**