



## 2015 SV GISBORNE ALBARIÑO 'BELL-RINGER'

SUSTAINABLE WINE NZ REGISTRATION NUMBER: SWE27E925F9F

### 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 2015 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** 8.3g/L      **Res Sugar** 4g/L      **pH** 3.27

### 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

"An intriguing and distinctive Albariño, with a pronounced salty, mineral tang with orange blossom, lime and a suggestion of apricot. A dash of sweetness is supported by lively acidity to give a bone-dry finish. A wine with character and style." Bob Campbell March 2016

### Awards

Four ½ Stars – Bob Campbell 2016  
Four Stars – Michael Cooper's Buyer's Guide 2016  
Four Stars – Winestate Magazine May 2016