

la Marea

2018 Albariño Kristy Vineyard Monterey County

The Kristy Vineyard grows on the western bench over the Salinas River on the broken sediment of ancient sea beds, fully exposed to winds off the Monterey Bay. Kristy is special because Albariño in the vineyard reaches full phenological ripeness at low potential alcohol and bright natural acidity. Picked under 22 brix with vigorous natural acidity. 2/3 whole cluster pressed, 1/3 destemmed and left on skins for two days. The skin contact portion of the blend was inoculated with a ‘*ped de cuvée*’ yeast culture harvested in the vine rows at Kristy. Cold fermented in stainless steel to preserve minerality, aromatics and freshness. Secondary fermentation is arrested. Aged on lees four months. Sterile filtered. 1350 cases made.

