

ASTROLABE SLEEPERS VINEYARD KEKERENGU COAST ALBARIÑO 2022









\$27.99

Very pretty wine with impressive purity and delicacy

Product Code:	4360	Closure:	Screw Cap
Country:	New Zealand	Unit:	Each
Region:	Marlborough	Volume:	750ml
Style:	White	Alcohol:	11.5%
Variety:	Albariño	Grape:	100% Albariño
Producer:	Astrolabe Wines	Natural:	Vegan Friendly



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TASTING NOTES

Winery notes (2022 Vintage)

"Albariño is the famous white grape variety of the Atlantic coast of Spain and Portugal — particularly the Rias Baixas region in Galicia. Albariño thrives in the temperate and maritime Marlborough climate. Albariño is a new grape variety in New Zealand, with the first plantings in 2009 and our first harvest, from a Galician clone, in 2013.

Aromas of stone fruit and ripe citrus with some vanilla notes. A fresh, lively palate with white peach and tropical flavours, medium body and length and a chalky, mineral finish.

Hand-picked and whole bunch pressed. Fermented on grape solids with a selected yeast strain, and aged on lees. Half was fermented and aged in a stainless steel tank and the other portion in old French oak barriques which went through malolactic fermentation with barrel stirring."



"Time in bottle has allowed the development of a rich and fruity bouquet to merge with the saline qualities of the Kekerengu coastline with a core of peach and ripe grapefruit, a mandarin quality and some pear. The palate also showcases acidity in a perfect balance with the flavours and salinity. Delicious, fresh and ready to drink from 2024 through 2027."

Reviews for previous vintages below...

Joelle Thomson, drinksbiz Magazine October/November 2023 (2021 Vintage)

"Simon Waghorn is one of New Zealand's most talented and experienced winemakers, and specialises in aromatic expressions of South Island white wines. This comes through clearly in each succulent sip of this Albariño from the southernmost vineyard in Marlborough, Kekerengu, which is situated on the coast. This small site provides grapes with noticeable freshness, a salty taste and great acidity, giving good ageing potential too."

4 Stars Michael Cooper (2020 Vintage)

"Grown at Kekerengu, the 2020 vintage was hand-picked and fermented in an even split of tanks and old French oak barrels. Aromatic, with a sense of lightness and vigour, it's a good aperitif style, medium-bodied, with vigorous, citrusy, limey flavours and a crisp, fully dry finish. Very lively and youthful, it should be at its best mid-2023+."

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