

SEABOLD

Aligoté

SILETTO 2021

Seabold Cellars was established in the Monterey Bay region because cool-climate organic and sustainable vineyards produce balanced wines that showcase their origin more than their winemaking. Our approach is as hands-off as possible, respecting traditional techniques and practices without being beholden to them. We produce non-interventionist, site-specific Burgundy and Rhône varieties, as seen through a California lens.



VINEYARD

Siletto

FARMING

Organic

New graft on 5+ years vine age

SOIL

Gravelly loam substrate with clay and limestone

REGION

San Benito

VARIETY

Aligoté

AGING

Aged 8 months on fine lees in neutral barrique

NUMBERS

*abv 13.3 TA 6.6 pH 3.31
25 cases produced*

SILETTO

Originally established as a testing ground vineyard for new grape varieties, Siletto Estate has quickly become a beacon for quality and uniqueness in California's northern Central Coast.

Just south of Hollister and originally part of Monterey County, San Benito is home to North America's largest stretch of limestone-rich vineyard land. One of the oldest and most storied winegrowing regions in California, its full potential for fine winemaking remains largely untapped. San Benito County is arguably the best-kept wine secret in California.

SUNSET BLOCK

A more recent planting, the west-facing Sunset Block sits at the top of Siletto Estate and soaks in the afternoon sunlight.

ÉLEVAGE

The grapes were hand-harvested and brought in cold to the winery, with a very gentle pressing first thing in the morning. After settling for 24 hours, the wine was racked into neutral barriques for a native yeast fermentation. The lees were lightly stirred in barrel to encourage a naturally-occurring, non-diacetyl malolactic fermentation. After 8 months in barrel, the wine was racked, blended, and then bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

Fresh apricots, yellow apples, cured lemon peels, sweet jasmine, crème fraîche and sourdough. The palate is dense and long, with Marcona almond, quince, and sweet herbs.

