

2022

BILLSBORO WINERY

ALBARIÑO

Sawmill Creek Vineyards

FINGER LAKES

TASTING NOTES

Aromas of Bosc pear, green melon, and fresh herbs lead to a lush palate with a classic almond and sea spray finish.

Best served at 42°- 46°F



VINTAGE NOTES

Winter 2021-2022 was marked by a few extremely cold nights (below - 5°F) which caused some bud damage across the region. Spring stayed cool enough to keep the buds from opening too soon and was drier than normal which led into a hot and sunny summer (much of July and August qualified as drought in the region). This dry spell kept berry size down, which along with the winter damage contributed to diminished yields. Quality was impressive, and grapes ripened ahead of usual expectations. Harvest kicked into high gear in early September as damp, misty days threatened the ideal growing season and brought urgency to avoid a repeat of 2018 and 2021. The good news was that grapes were in great condition after the summer and by October the skies cleared and what remained out in the vineyard enjoyed an unprecedented stretch of gorgeous warm, sunny weather that lasted through November. The 2022 growing season ultimately racked up 2632 growing degree days and gave us a stellar crop.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Picked on September 27th at 21.2 Brix, the grapes were destemmed and pressed after six hours of skin contact. The juice was cold settled, racked with no chaptalization and tank fermented at 57F with CVW5 yeast. After alcoholic fermentation completed, the wine was racked on December 8th, tank aged and cold stabilized. Filtered and bottled on March 23, 2023.

VINEYARD NOTES

Sawmill Creek Vineyards in Hector, NY is located along the southeast corner of Seneca Lake. Its steep-sided, southwest facing vineyards are widely recognized as among the best in the Finger Lakes. We thank the Hazlitt family for their dedication to sustainable farming and passion for winegrowing.

TECHNICAL NOTES

pH	3.4	RS	0.0%
TA	7.3 g/l	ABV	13.4%
Cases Produced	105		

100% Albariño
100% Sawmill Creek Vineyards