



2013 Flor de Vina Verdejo, Borden Ranch, Lodi (270 cases Produced)
(100% Verdejo, **Organically Grown**)

Vineyards: The more time we have spent exploring the Iberian Peninsula the more and more we have fell in love with this eclectic, exotic white grape from North, Central Spain's Rueda region. Flor de Vina, which means (Vineyard Flower), is our tribute to the beautiful wines of Rueda. We have been making and experimenting with Albarino and the Portuguese Verdelho, (Godello in Spain), for years now, but we have long been hoping to get someone to plant some Verdejo for us one day. After years of prodding our good friend and specialty Spanish grape grower, Markus Bokisch, brought in some old vine cuttings from Rueda and propagated them in his Clay Station Vineyard in the Borden Ranch AVA of Lodi. This site benefits from warm daytime temperatures and very cool nights. The breezes off the delta combined with the well drained gravelly loam and decomposed granite soils make for a great place to grow this variety. 2013 marks the first harvest of Verdejo from this vineyard, the grapes for this wine were 100% **organically grown**.

Winemaking: Verdejo is a very delicate grape variety, requiring careful and minimal handling to maintain its purity and freshness. The grapes came into the winery in late August with a beautiful slightly golden to light green color. We gently whole cluster pressed the grapes, only using the clear free-run juice, which was put into stainless steel tanks. The juice was kept chilled in tanks for a long, slow primary fermentation lasting nearly a month using only native yeasts. The wine continued to age for an additional three months on its lees before being racked and bottled.

The Wine: Showing a pale golden hue, exuberant, bright citrus blossom and white flower aromas combine with stone fruit, pineapple and exotic tropical notes. Hints of lemongrass, almond and mineral notes that frame the fruit flavors and are carried by a zesty acidity through the crisp and refreshingly dry finish.

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