



**Name of Wine:** Caliberico White

**Producer:** Urbanite Cellars

**Region:** Lodi, California

**Vintage:** 2010

**Grape Varieties:** A blend of 47% Verdelho, a grape found primarily on the Portuguese islands of Madeira and the Azorean island of Pico. A small amount is also grown in the Douro Valley and Dão regions of the Portuguese mainland. High quality plantings are also found in

Australia and Portuguese immigrants brought the grape to California as well. 35% Albariño. Native to Galicia, Spain, this grape is also planted in northern Portugal (as Alvarinho). Although usually drunk young, it can also produce full-bodied, steely dry wines that age with grace. 18% Torrontés, rounds out the blend. Although Argentina made it famous, this powerful aromatic grape's natural home is the Ribeiro region of northern Spain, close to the border with Portugal.

**Vineyards:** The Verdelho and Torrontés are from Silvaspoons Vineyards, located northeast of Galt in the Alta Mesa sub-district of the Lodi AVA. The soil is mostly clay under the upper hardpan layer. The Albariño is sourced from Bokisch Vineyards, an organically farmed vineyard located in the Mokelumne River sub-district of Lodi. The soil is made up of silty alluvial loam. Both vineyards are certified Sustainably Farmed by the Lodi AVA's Sustainable Viticulture Program.

### **Vinification:**

**Fermentation:** Varietals are fermented separately with 20% of fermentation in neutral French oak and the remainder fermented in stainless steel.

**Aging:** After blending, 10% of the wine is aged 5 months in neutral French oak casks.

**Alcohol Volume:** 12.6%

### **Tasting Notes:**

Aromas of tropical fruit, white flowers and stone fruit; mouthwatering acidity; full-bodied on the palate; flavors of passion fruit, pineapple, minerals and a long finish.

### **History:**

Based in San Francisco, Urbanite Cellars is the culmination of importer Luis Moya's lifelong dream. Born in Havana Cuba, Luis fled to the US in 1980, spending time in Miami before moving to New York where he began his career in wine. He worked at several landmark New York restaurants, including Windows on the World, before embarking on his import and wholesale career. In 2004 Luis moved to California with his family. His plan was to buy a vineyard and start a *bodega*, but the daunting financial realities of California winemaking soon interceded and Luis instead founded Vinos Unico Importers and Distributors. As Vinos Unico grew, Luis developed strong relationships with winemakers and grape growers throughout the state and it rekindled his passion to make his own wine. This is Luis' second release of his Caliberico White.

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