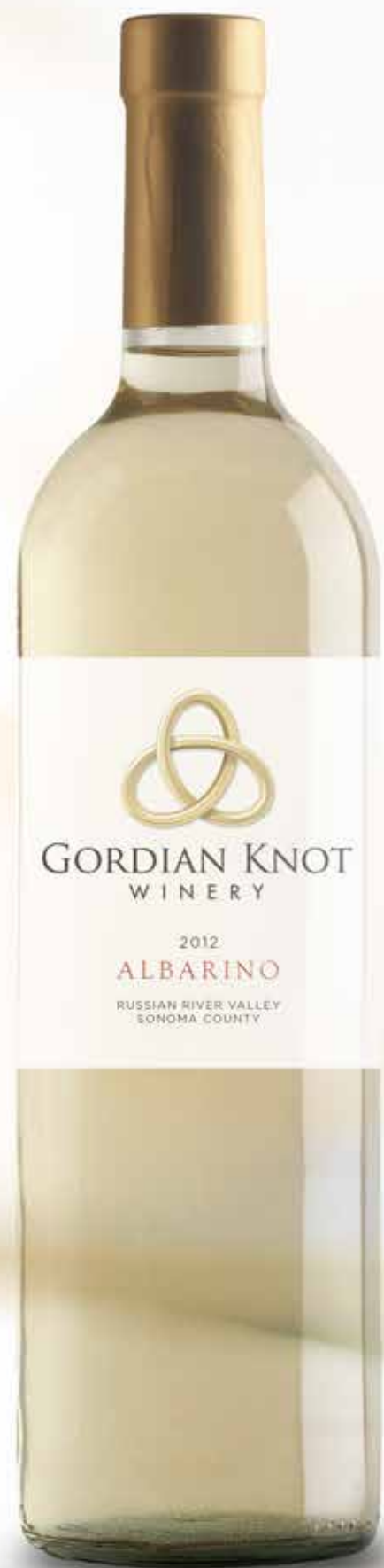


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GORDIAN KNOT
WINERY



The Gordian Knot Winery was inspired by the legend of Alexander the Great, who figured out how to “untie” an extremely intricate, seemingly “untie-able” knot by slicing through it with his sword. Much like the bold, decisive stroke it’s named for, the winery prides itself on its ability to think outside the box with top-notch wine and service.

It all started in the late 80’s. While working corporate jobs in San Francisco and raising a young family, Tim Meinken (ND ’75) and Anne Giere (SMC ’79) found a slice of land in the Russian River Valley of Sonoma County and planted 32 acres of vineyard. Tim enrolled in viticulture classes and began learning winemaking from the ground up while they built a home on the vineyard property. Anne was elected founding director of the Russian River Valley Winegrowers, and served nine years promoting the vineyards

and wines of the now famous region. Tim and Anne evolved from winegrowers to winemakers over the next 22 years, becoming completely immersed in all areas of the wine business, including operating a winery and tasting room in Healdsburg.

Once their children left for college, Tim and Anne sold their first winery and tasting room, updated their business model, and launched Gordian Knot Winery, located in Healdsburg, California, in 2010. Tim continues as the sole winemaker today and Anne oversees sales and marketing. Their current releases include Albariño, Pinot Noir and Old Vine Zinfandel, all from single vineyards within a dozen miles of the winery. With the Gordian Knot name always in the back of their minds, Tim and Anne approach each vintage and vineyard by thinking outside the box, always striving to achieve the very best wine using the boldest, most innovative winemaking techniques.