

## Our Story

Markus and Liz Bokisch have been producing award-winning Spanish varietals since the early 2000s. With hearts and heritage of Spain, their inspiration to produce Spanish varietal wines in California began by directly importing budwood from select vineyards in Spain, thus creating Bokisch Vineyards, nestled in the Clements Hills of the Lodi AVA. They began making wine from their estate grown and organically farmed fruit in 2000.

Clements Hills - Lodi, CA

## Our Vineyards

Our Terra Alta Vineyard is the beautiful home of our winery facility and is nestled in the toe of the Sierra Foothills. Featuring 80 acres of redding gravelly clay loam, this is the organically certified home of our plantings of Albarino, Garnacha, and Graciano. Markus planted this parcel in 1996 because its climate and soil were almost identical to the vineyards he farmed in the Vaca Mountains of Napa Valley. Those vineyards, like our Terra Alta, are perfect for Mediterranean varieties. This cutting of Graciano was taken from our Las Cerezas Vineyard, where Markus Bokisch was the first to plant Graciano in the United States.

## Our Wine

Graciano has taught our winemaking team extreme patience. It is incredibly vigorous in the vineyard and has it challenges in the cellar as it ages. Fermented for 16 days in stainless steel tank and then moved into new French and American oak, this Graciano's color is dark, inky, and serious. It has savory and meaty aromas of baking spices, toasted cedar, blueberry jam, and lavender. It has textured flavors of dark berries, blueberry syrup, crushed violet and lavender. It has a hint of smoke, and goes down with a long and lingering finish. Liz suggests pairing this with Prime Rib.

Tech 14.8 Alc. Brix: 25

Composition 95% Graciano, 5% Tempranillo

Clone Selection Rioja Alavesa - Massal Selection by Markus Bokisch

Aging 18 months - 15% New French, 5% New American, 80% Neutral

Soil Types Redding Gravelly Clay Loam

Production 375 Cases

SRP \$28

Winemaker Elyse Perry





Born in Spain. Grown in <u>Io</u>di.

**Bokisch** 

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