

Saturday Session

BY SOMMSATION

Your Sommsation Experience

Thanks for joining our latest Saturday Session virtual tasting.

Our Lead Sommelier, Elyse Lovenworth, will lead you through Saturday Session with two wines from Opolo Vineyards: the 2023 Albariño and the 2021 Tempranillo.

To make this tasting experience as enjoyable as possible, we've included curated food pairings, tips for chilling and opening, as well as glassware recommendations.

Cheers!

**FOR ASSISTANCE
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EVENT DETAILS

Saturday Session *by Sommsation*
featuring Opolo Vineyards

DATE

Saturday, August 24, 2024

TIME

4PM PT / 7PM ET



YOUR SOMMELIER

Elyse Lovenworth

Certified Sommelier

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ABOUT THE WINE

2023 Albariño

The Albariño is expressive, with aromas of star fruit, white peach, and kiwi. The palate is impeccably weighted, yet is racy and mineral driven, displaying electric flavors of green apple, nectarine, exotic citrus and herbal spices.

APPELLATION

Central
Coast

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Albariño

STYLE / TYPE

Medium-Body
White



SERVING INSTRUCTIONS

Enjoy your wine chilled.

Open one hour prior to serving.



GLASSWARE

Enjoy this wine in a light-bodied white wine glass. This glass is designed to showcase freshness, minerality and spiciness in the wine.



PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

We recommend that you pair this wine with a fresh, aged fresh cheese such as ricotta. This would also go well with poultry, roasted seafood dishes like crab cakes and halibut, pesto, spinach, artichoke, green beans.

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2021 Tempranillo

The Tempranillo is enticing, with aromas of plum, black raspberry, clove, and licorice spice. On the palate, flavors of cranberry, cherry, black currant, and cedar box mingle with the fine tannins and rich texture, leading the way to the somewhat rustic and earthy finish.

APPELLATION

Paso
Robles

VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Tempranillo

STYLE / TYPE

Full-Body Red



SERVING INSTRUCTIONS

Enjoy your wine at cellar temperature.

Open and decant 1 hour prior to serving.

GLASSWARE

Enjoy this glass in a full-bodied red wine glass. The ample size of this glass allows the bouquet to fully develop. It emphasizes the fruit by down playing the bitter qualities of the tannin and allows wines to achieve balance.

PAIRING SUGGESTIONS

We recommend that you pair this wine with a semi-firm, firm, polished cheese such as a grana padano. This would also go well with gamey proteins like rack of lamb, or richer proteins like braised short ribs, cannellini beans, roasted beets.

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About the Winery



ABOUT THE WINERY

Opolo Vineyards

Rick Quinn and David Nichols were first neighbors, then friends, and finally collaborators in the shared dream of creating a winemaking legacy in the place they call home. They started planting their vineyards in 1997, and two years later established the winery. They've grown considerably in the last 25 years, to nearly 300 acres of vines, and their diverse landscape provides for an intense flavor profile in their wines. Opolo is fortunate enough to have varied microclimates within their vineyard sites that are ideal for growing a wide variety of Bordeaux, Rhone, and Spanish varieties. They are also big believers in sustainability, and have obtained their SIP certification.

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LOCATED IN

Paso Robles, California

- Paso Robles AVA (11 sub AVAs)
- Established in 1983
- 200+ wineries
- 40,000 acres under vine
- Located approximately 25 miles inland from the Pacific coast; halfway between Los Angeles and San Francisco

ABOUT US

With nearly 300 acres of vines on the east and west side of Paso Robles, Opolo Vineyards is privy to a wide range in climate, soil and growing potential — allowing an extensive range of varieties to flourish. This variety combined with the passion behind the brand has made Opolo a favorite of wine enthusiasts everywhere. Gorgeous rolling hills frame their estate vineyard on picturesque Vineyard Drive, where guests enjoy a wide range of experiences, from cheese pairings, varied flight options, lunch on the patio to The Distillery at Opolo. Venture up to the hilltop for exciting events where stunning vineyard views abound.

KNOWN FOR

Viognier, Albariño, Chardonnay, Cabernet Sauvignon, Petite Sirah, Zinfandel

WHAT MAKES US SPECIAL

At Opolo we believe a strong, cooperative relationship with the land and our environment is crucial. We practice sustainable methods in both the winery and vineyard operations in order to preserve our environment, water and local wildlife. Opolo is a "SIP" Certified operation as well as certified organic by "CCOF" in our 64 acre walnut orchard. We continue to be great stewards of the land and invite you to come to our vineyards and see our operations!

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Meet Your Sommelier



ABOUT THE SOMMELIER

Elyse Lovenworth

BRYN MAWR, PA

Focus: Willamette Valley, Wine Education, Wine Enjoyment

“Wine to me is all about sharing.”
— Robert Mondavi

CERTIFICATIONS

Certified Sommelier

Court of Master Sommeliers

Certified Cicerone

Cicerone Certification Program

INDUSTRY EXPERIENCE

Lead Sommelier with Sommsation

15+ years Experience

ABOUT ELYSE LOVENWORTH

Elyse Lovenworth is Sommsation's Lead Sommelier. She has experience working in virtually every facet of the industry, from working in vineyards and wineries, importing and distributing wine and spirits, managing bar programs and working as a Sommelier and wine director in top restaurants on both coasts. She has spent time in renowned wine regions all over the world. Elyse holds a number of prestigious beverage titles including Certified Sommelier with the Court of Master Sommeliers as well as the lesser-known beer equivalent title of Certified Cicerone.

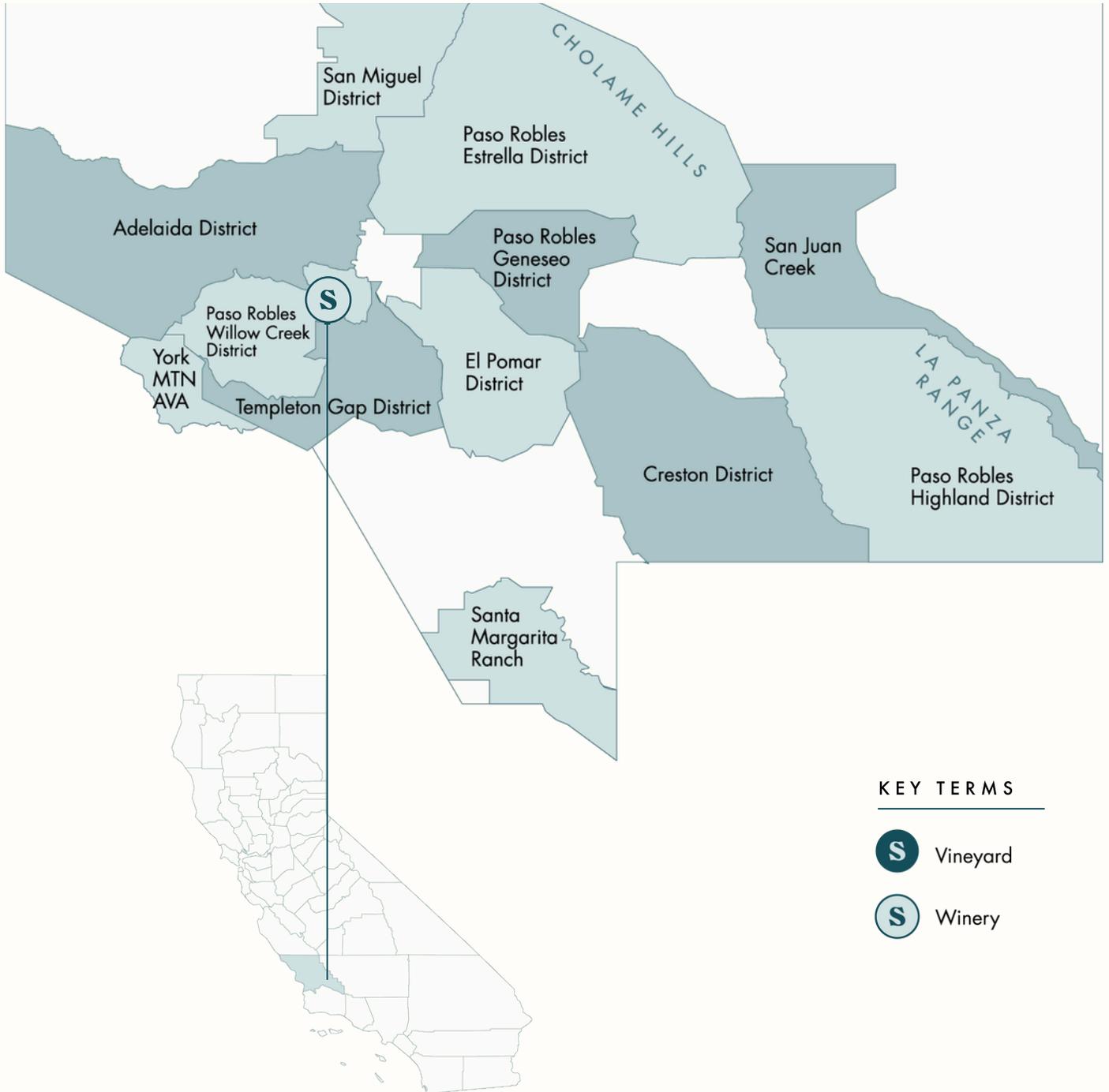


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KEY TERMS

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