

89 points Drink: 2013-2014

2012 Birichino Malvasia Bianca

A delicious, fragrant and perfumed white, the 2012 Malvasia Blanca (100% Malvasia Bianca aged 5 months in stainless steel) delivers a steely bouquet of citrus rind, melon, flower, exotic herbs and mint. This medium-bodied, fresh and clean white has juicy, integrated acidity and finishes clean and dry, with solid length and a juicy snap to its acidity that has you looking for another sip. A perfect wine to start a meal, it should be purchased by the case and consumed over the coming year. Drink now-2014.

Tel. (831) 419-1294; www.birichino.com

- Jeb Dunnuck (August, 2013)

Copyright 2013, The Wine Advocate, Inc. - Reprinted with permission