



WINEMAKER NOTES

Our 2021 Reserve Pinot noir is powerful yet elegant, decadent and round with a silky smooth texture. A blend of our best two barrels of the vintage, style drives this wine; the most powerful, ageable and impressive barrels are chosen. This wine can be cellared or enjoyed now after a quick decant to open up aromas and flavors. This wine is the best of the Sta. Rita Hills, racy acidity, deep complexity and luxurious texture. This wine has staying power on the finish, and the spice, salinity and deep red fruits linger for what feels like forever.

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| Cases: | 40 |
| Appellation: | Sta. Rita Hills AVA |
| Varietal composition: | 100% Pinot Noir |
| Clonal selection: | 667 |
| % Whole cluster: | 20% |
| Soil at site: | Loam/DE/Clay/Chert |
| Barrels Aging: | 100% 2 year old French oak (500L) 10 months |
| Alcohol: | 13.5% |
| Brix: | 23.3 |
| pH at harvest: | 3.23 |
| Finished pH: | 3.68 |
| Finished TA: | 5.5 g/L |
| Harvest date: | 10/5/21 |
| Bottling date: | August 2022 |
| Release date: | September 2024 |

2021 VINTAGE

One of the best vintages in recent memory, 2021 was an even, cool vintage allowing fruit extended hang time to concentrate flavors and complexity without losing acid. Wines from this vintage are powerful while still being moderate in alcohol, and maintaining freshness and fruit purity.

STA. RITA HILLS AVA

The Sta. Rita Hills AVA is significantly impacted by its proximity to the ocean (10 miles), consistent morning/evening fog, and steady afternoon winds. These cooling trends are not only perfectly suited to growing Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Grenache, and Syrah but also serve to prolong the growing season, allowing for heightened varietal flavor intensity. Additionally, the area's cool climate and vineyards' calcareous rock and sand help produce grapes with natural acidity and flavor balance.

ACCOLADES

Not yet reviewed