



2022 RESERVE SYRAH - OM

STA. RITA HILLS AVA
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CA



WINEMAKER NOTES

Dense and powerful, this Syrah delivers deep concentration of dark fruit—pluot, blackberries, and purple plum—wrapped in a rich, weighty structure. A bold, expressive wine that still holds a sense of balance and drive.

WINEMAKING

Cases:	40
Appellation:	Sta. Rita Hills
Varietal composition:	100% Syrah
Clonal selection:	Clone 1, 470, 383
% Whole cluster:	65%
Soil at site:	Sand/Loam/DE/Limestone
Barrels Aging:	100% neutral French oak 22 months
Alcohol:	13.1
Brix:	21.5-23.6
pH at harvest:	3.39-3.57
Finished pH:	3.76
Finished TA:	6.4 g/L
Harvest date:	10/6/2022 & 10/27/2022
Bottling date:	7/19/2024
Release date:	Fall 2026

2022 VINTAGE

2022 started off with a slightly later bud-break, and moderate weather through the spring and summer. Low yields across the board with all varietals and vineyards made the Labor-Day heat wave extra impactful and forced us to move quickly into harvest mode. Once the early ripening varietals were picked, the classic SB long growing season returned, and the final Rhone varietal grapes weren't harvested until late October. The 2022 wines retain their freshness and balance, with great flavor concentration and depth, and an extra kiss of sunshine.

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

The wine region of Santa Barbara County is located north of the city of Santa Barbara and includes the Santa Ynez Valley and Santa Maria Valley. A defining feature of the region that makes it ideal for grape growing are the transverse, (east-to-west running) mountain ranges that funnel the marine climate inland. The marine fog and wind have a moderating effect on the vines prolonging the growing season and providing a longer hang time for the fruit.

ACCOLADES

94+ points - *Vinous* The 2022 Grenache/Syrah/Mourvèdre is floral and elegant. Its another finessed, weightless wine that delivers attractive resonance and softness in a very approachable frame. It cruises across the palate with ease. Rosewater, raspberry and citrus overtones hang around on the gentle close. -*Billy Norris*