

2013 Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills

The 2013 Sanford Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir is a blend of fruit from our two estate vineyards: La Rinconada (73%) and the historic Sanford and Benedict Vineyard (27%). Both of these stellar vineyards are in the heart of the Sta. Rita Hills. A wide range of Pinot clones are planted on these sites, and our 2013 is a blend of 5 different clones from 10 blocks. 2013 was a perfect growing season, which resulted in complex, elegant, well-structured and balanced wines. This Pinot is bright red in color and is bursting with spicy raspberry and blood orange, along with savory notes of cola, white pepper and sage. The palate delivers rich berry flavors balanced nicely by acid and tannin structure.

Appellation: Sta. Rita Hills

Varietals: 100% Pinot Noir

Aging: Aged in French Oak barrels (30% new) for 14 months where it picked up hints of toast, anise and clove.

Brix at Harvest: 23.5

pH: 3.57

TA: 6.1 g/L

Alcohol: 13.9%

Bottling Date: November 21, 2014

UPC: 086891-07291-3

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Case: 12 pack

Features

- First winery to plant Pinot Noir in the Sta. Rita Hills
- The Sta. Rita Hills enjoy one of the longest growing seasons in California due to the unique east-west traversing valley
- Wines are hand-crafted by lot and produced sustainably

Benefits

- More than 30 years of tradition from a pioneering Santa Barbara Vintner
- Cool climate, maritime influenced conditions create ripe yet balanced flavors
- Microvinification allows for more control in blending, capturing the essence of the estate and the Sta. Rita Hills

Competitive Set:

- Belle Glos
- Patz & Hall
- Flowers

