

2015 Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills

The 2015 Sanford Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir is a blend of fruit from our two estate vineyards: the historic Sanford and Benedict Vineyard (51%) and La Rinconada (49%). 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 2015 is a blend of 6 of these from different soil types. 2015 was a warm dry year, with low yields resulting in concentrated, well-structured and balanced wines.

Appellation:	Sta. Rita Hills
Varietals:	100% Pinot Noir
Color:	Bright ruby red
Aroma:	Bursting with earthy raspberry and orange peel, along with savory notes of anise and white pepper
Taste:	The palate delivers dense dusty, berry flavors with lively acid and tannin structure, which carries on with a long and lovely finish
Aging:	Aged in French Oak barrels (30% new) for 10 ½ months where it gained concentration and picked up hints of toast, bacon and clove

Brix at Harvest: 23.0

pH: 3.48

TA: 6.5 g/L

Alcohol: 13.5%

Bottling Date: August, 2016

UPC: 086891-07291-3

SCC: 10086891-08729-7

Case: 6 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

