



Windrun 2015 Pinot Noir

Santa Rita Hills

Composition: From one of the finest vintages in recent memory, Windrun's 12th limited-production bottling is from fruit grown on a steep, north-facing slope above the Santa Ynez River. Located mid-appellation, this vineyard features well-drained, loam-and-gravel soils and plantings of four renowned Dijon Pinot Noir clones, including 667 and 115. It was barrel-aged for 20 months, 22% in new French oak.

Description: This wine is an excellent example of the complex character for which wines from this area of the Sta. Rita Hills are known, showing a dark garnet color and robust, sumptuous mouthfeel. With traces of wild blackberry, earth, and allspice, punctuated by a luscious, long finish, this elegantly balanced wine will continue to reward with extended aging.

Awards: 93 points Wine Enthusiast; 90 points Wine Spectator.

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FROSTWATCH BENNETT VALLEY PINOT NOIR



As with our previous Pinots, the 2014 is sourced from the Frostwatch Vineyard which is planted exclusively to the Swan Clone. This clone is known for excellent fruit with small clusters and berries which produce wines with extreme concentration. The sole downside of these tiny berries and petite clusters is an extremely low case production per acre. (We continue to hope, as the blocks mature, future vintages will be larger) The 2014 Pinot Noir is a lush and intense wine with powerfully flavored fruit including blackberry, dark cherries with notes of licorice, tobacco and black tea. The mid-palate is full and silky, in part attributable to a monthly lees stirring regimen that spanned the 18 months of barrel aging in French Oak. Like our Merlot, this wine was tasted by Wine Advocate earlier this year and received a score of 90+ points.