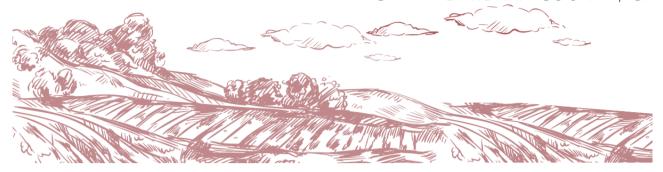


2021 PINOT NOIR RADIAN VINEYARD

STA. RITA HILLS AVA SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CA



WINEMAKER NOTES

Explosive, complex aromatics that jump out of the glass. Expansive and mouth-coating saturation of fruit on the palate. The finish is bright and pretty, and structured. Showing great as a young wine, and the perfect candidate for additional cellaring.

WINEMAKING

Cases: 138

Appellation: Sta. Rita Hills Varietal composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Clonal selection: 667

% Whole cluster: 66%

Soil at site: Loam/Chert/DE/Clay

Barrels | Aging: 66% 1 year old French oak

(500L), 16% 2 year old French

oak, 18% neutral French oak | 11

months

Alcohol: 13.5

Brix: 23.2-24.3 pH at harvest: 3.23 Finished pH: 3.67 Finished TA: 5.5g/L

Harvest date: 9/30/21 + 10/5/21
Bottling date: August 2022
Release date: January 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.

RADIAN VINEYARD

Raidan Vineyard is the sister vineyard to Bentrock, both located on the old Salsipuedes ranch. Radian is the western part of the ranch and butts up against the western perimeter of the Santa Rita Hills AVA along Santa Rosa Road. Whereas Bentrock Vineyard is more gentle rolling hills, Radian has really steep vineyard blocks. We have pinot noir there planted at the top of the hill where it's most exposed to the wind and the cold and the fog. Often we'll go out there during harvest, up to the top of the hill where our block is and it feels like a "fog hurricane" because the wind and fog are so intense! You can't see six feet ahead of you in those conditions.

ACCOLADES

93+ points - Jeb Dunnuck Mulberries, fresh cut rose, crushed stone, and hints of both black and white pepper emerge from the 2021 Pinot Noir Radian Vineyard, a vibrant, medium-bodied, fresh, focused Pinot Noir that needs 2-4 years of bottle age. -Jeb Dunnuck

93 points - Vinous The 2021 Pinot Noir Radian Vineyard is a dark, brooding wine. Blue/purplish fruit, lavender, spice, menthol and crushed rocks abound. This is an especially nervy style of Radian, where the Pinots tend to show more richness. I suspect the 67% whole clusters are pushed to the limit as the fruit is very much in the background, I am hopeful the Radian will emerge more fully with time in bottle. -Antonio Galloni