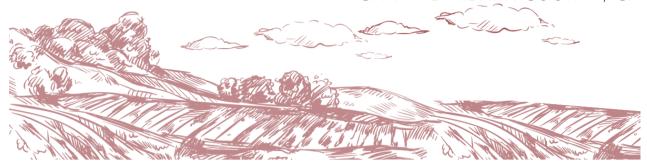


2014 PINOT NOIR LAS HERMANAS VINEYARD

STA. RITA HILLS AVA SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CA



TASTING NOTES

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WINEMAKING

Cases: 253

Appellation: Sta. Rita Hills Varietal 100% Pinot Noir

composition:

% Whole cluster: 50%

Soil at site: Sand/Limestone/Loam

Barrels | Aging: 25% new French oak |

22 months

Alcohol: 14.0% Finished pH: 3.59 Finished TA: 5.9 g/L

2014 VINTAGE

Another year of drought, with intense heat leading into harvest. Despite the hot, dry conditions, the vines produced big yields in fruit. Expect wines with strongfruit characteristics, juiciness, and wonderful accessibility. These are winesdriven by primary red fruit characteristics and a bright acid profile.

LAS HERMANAS VINEYARD

Las Hermanas Vineyard sits to the west of the Melville Estate Vineyard, just 8 miles from the ocean. It is planted on over six different soil types, all of marine origin. SAMsARA's hillside section of Pinot Noir is located towards the top of the vineyard, where it is well-drained and aggressively sloped.

ACCOLADES

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93 points - Vinous One of the most distinctive wines in the range, the 2014 Pinot Noir Las Hermanas Vineyard is captivating, Fresh, nuanced and super-expressive, it hits on all the right notes. Intense, perfumed aromatics, bright fruit and fine chiseled tannis give the wine its super distinctive personality. There is much to like here. -Antonio Galloni