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Bien Nacido Vineyard

2020 · PINOT NOIR

SANTA MARIA VALLEY

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WINEMAKER	JOEY TENSELY
YIELD	2 TONS PER ACRE
CASES	482
ALCOHOL	14.4%
PH	3.73
TA	6.4 g/L

VINEYARD & TERROIR

FROM THE RENOWNED BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD, A PINOT NOIR CRAFTED FROM BIEN NACIDO'S BLOCKS 42A AND 42B, SOUTH-FACING ON SHALE AND GRAVELLY LOAM SOILS. THESE BLOCKS HAVE FULL SUNSHINE FROM THE SOUTH, BUT IT STILL DEFINITELY COOL-CLIMATE TERROIR.

COMPOSITION

100% PINOT NOIR

CLONES: 115, SWAN, AND MT EDEN

AGING

AGED 11 MONTHS IN 35% NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS

AROMATICS

THIS LIGHT RUBY PINOT NOIR HAS OVERT AND CONCENTRATED AROMATICS OF RICH RED CANDIED FRUITS, RED APPLE, AND DRIED CARNATIONS FLOWERS. A FEW MORE GLASS SWIRLS WILL RELEASE EARTHY TONES OF CHINESE FIVE-SPICE, SWEET HICKORY, AND FALL HAY.

PALATE

FLAVORS OF BRIGHT CHERRY, WITH SPICE CHARACTER OF STAR ANISE, MACE, AND ANISETTE, ARE LAYERED NICELY IN THIS PINOT NOIR. IN ADDITION, IT OFFERS SOME EARTHY TONES OF MOIST SOILS AND EUCALYPTUS WITH A LONG SMOKEY FINISH.

ACCOLADES

94 POINTS • TASTING PANEL MAGAZINE

93 POINTS • INT'L WINE REPORT

92 POINTS • WINE SPECTATOR

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