

TOLOSA



ABOUT TOLOSA

Cowboy dreams of owning a cattle ranch brought Robin Baggett to Edna Valley. The cold Pacific wind and soils from ancient seabed to limestone made him realize he was on a frontier of a different sort. Tolosa is the expression of his commitment to spare no effort to craft nuanced and balanced Pinot Noir and Chardonnay of distinctive character to rival any in the world. Our Single Vineyard series of very small-lot, artisanal wines invites exploration of renowned appellations and acclaimed vineyards throughout California and confirms Edna Valley's place in this distinguished company.

SALTONSTALL PINOT NOIR 2017

Petaluma Gap

WINEMAKER NOTES

Saltonstall is the furthest vineyard site from the winery that we source from for our Single Vineyard program, which is why we have to be extra cautious on the picking schedule and logistics to make sure the fruit is delivered to the winery in the same condition as harvested. The grapes are picked in small yellow bins and transported to the winery in a refrigerated truck. The vineyard's exposure to the wind causes thicker skins on the grapes which produces a wine with a deeper and darker color. We receive three clones from this site: 667, 777 and 115. We are able to ferment the lots separately as well as play with temperatures during fermentation to bring out more complexities from the site.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

Saltonstall Vineyard is located in the Petaluma Gap AVA, 30 miles north of San Francisco and 14 miles from the Pacific Ocean. The 19 acre hillside parcel rests in a bucolic landscape surrounded by dairy farms and sheep pastures. The vineyard is planted on the valley floor and receives a great amount of fog and wind. Soils are loamy clay with a touch of gravel settled on the clay.

Color Dark ruby with a pink rim

On the Nose Graphite, hops, new leather, licorice, black tea, créme de cassis and black

cherry

On the Palate A concentrated and dense structure with notes of strawberry rhubarb pie,

dragon fruit, black cherry, minerality, leather and tobacco on the finish

Varietal Pinot Noir

Fermentation Stainless steel open top fermentation tanks

Aging 9 months, in French oak barrels with 25% of them being new

Vineyards Saltonstall Vineyard

Alcohol by Vol. 13.0%