



# TOLOSA



## ABOUT TOLOSA

*Cowboy dreams of owning a cattle ranch brought Vintner Robin Baggett to Edna Valley. The cold Pacific wind that sweeps down the coast into the transverse valley and a myriad of soils derived from an ancient seabed 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.*

## 1772 CUVEÉ PINOT NOIR 2018

California

### WINEMAKER NOTES

The Cuvée Pinot Noir is tied to different terroir throughout California. The climate, topography and soils all play a vital role in creating the environment the grapes experience on the vine. The concept of Cuvée, a precise blend, lends me the liberty to highlight specific nuances from a collection of California appellations. The result is an exemplary wine that represents everything we love about California Pinot Noir. Each lot is fermented separately in stainless-steel open top tanks. The wine is barreled down and aged for 9 months in a combination of new, once used, and neutral French oak barrels.

### ABOUT THE VINEYARD

This wine is comprised from different appellations with a goal to preserve the defining character of each region. The grapes from Santa Lucia Highlands receive enough sun exposure to support a riper profile and contribute a luscious mouthfeel. The fruit from Sta. Rita Hills experience a dramatic diurnal shift from warmer days to cooler nights. This climate shift builds the tannin structure in the wine. The grapes from Santa Maria Valley are planted on sandy soils, an ancient ocean floor, that offers expressive aromatics. The component from the Edna Valley offers tension and layers of minerality to the wine.

<b>Color</b>	Ruby
<b>On the Nose</b>	A well rounded array of aromas featuring notes of black cherry, strawberry, leather, nutmeg, mountain sage, black pepper, and sandalwood
<b>On the Palate</b>	The dense palate and fresh acidity frame the characteristics of white raspberry, pomegranate, black radish and mountain sage
<b>Varietal</b>	Pinot Noir
<b>Fermentation</b>	Fermented in stainless steel open top tanks
<b>Aging</b>	9 months in French oak barrels, with 22% of them being new
<b>Case Production</b>	300