

TOLOSA

Drum Canyon Vineyard Pinot Noir 2018 Sta. Rita Hills

WINEMAKER NOTES

In the Santa Rita Hills of Santa Barbara, it comes down to the right vineyards, and we found one of them. We are excited to introduce the first vintage of Drum Canyon Vineyard Pinot Noir to Tolosa's Single Vineyard tier. The grapes are picked in small yellow bins to avoid undue pressure on the fruit. At the winery, they are sorted by a state-of-the-art optical sorting machine before fermenting in stainless steel open top tanks. The wine receives a softer fermentation to manage the tannin extraction and was aged for 9 months in a combination of new and neutral French oak barrels.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

Drum Canyon is farmed by the Dierberg family and situated in the Sta. Rita Hills AVA in western Santa Barbara County. The Sta. Rita Hills AVA is adjacent to the Pacific Ocean and famous for its east to west transverse mountain range which allows the strong maritime winds and fog to cool the climate. Drum Canyon is planted alongside Highway 246, on a steep southwest-facing hillside between Lompoc and Buellton. The grapes are sourced from a lower section of the slope planted on sandy loam soils. It is our only single vineyard wine made of Californian Heritage clones (Calera and Swan).

Color Medium-dark ruby

On the nose Leading with rich earth notes balanced by a mix of black cherry, strawberry,

pomegranate and blackberry

On the palate Ripe strawberry, raspberry and boysenberry fruit flavors are balanced by a firm

tannin structure

Varietal Pinot Noir

Fermentation Stainless steel open top fermentation tanks

Aging 9 months in French oak barrels, with 22% of them being new

Vineyard Drum Canyon Vineyard

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