



TOLOSA

Primera Pinot Noir 2018 Edna Valley

WINEMAKER NOTES

Tolosa's flagship Pinot Noir, Primera, is a small lot barrel selection of the best fruit from Tolosa's estate vineyard, Edna Ranch. The grapes are hand-picked in the early morning in small yellow bins to avoid undue pressure on the fruit. The grapes are sorted by an optical sorting machine before fermentation in stainless steel tanks. Every tank is tasted daily to build the extraction regime. Fermentation was executed at a cooler temperature to preserve the bright fruit and freshness of the 2018 vintage. This wine was aged for 9 months in French oak barrels, with 22% being new, and a lighter toast to allow the vintage to shine through.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

Our home vineyard, Edna Ranch, is located in the coolest appellation in California – a mere 5 miles from the Pacific Ocean. The northwest to southwest orientation of the transverse Edna Valley allows fog and prevailing winds to funnel into the valley from Morro Bay, creating a microclimate ideal for ripening delicate Pinot Noir grapes. A myriad of soil types, including the holy grail for Pinot Noir - limestone, share the landscape from which our winemaker crafts Primera: a delicate yet powerful package.

Color	Medium ruby
On the nose	Bright red fruits highlighted by pomegranate, Rainier cherries and candied raspberry are joined by hints of dried fig, with fine grained leather and baking spices
On the palate	Black cherry, red beet, raspberry, rhubarb, cinnamon and ground herbs
Varietal	Pinot Noir
Fermentation	Stainless steel, open top fermentation tanks
Aging	9 months, in French oak barrels 22% being new
Vineyards	Edna Ranch
Enjoy	2022 – 2032