



T O L O S A

Drum Canyon Vineyard Pinot Noir 2019 Sta. Rita Hills

WINEMAKER NOTES

The Sta. Rita Hills region has exploded in popularity, and it is a delight to produce a gorgeously honest expression of the region's strengths. This style of this wine delivers integrated tannins and a signature acidity influenced by the cool climate. We harvest the grapes in the early hours of the morning, by hand in small yellow bins to protect the fruit's integrity. The grapes are sorted by an optical sorting machine at the winery before receiving a tender fermentation to manage tannin extraction. The wine spends 9 months aging in French oak barrels. Drum Canyon Vineyard Pinot Noir offers a luxurious intensity with exuberant fruit and a seamless texture. It is a stellar wine that holds its own in the Single Vineyard lineup.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

Farmed by the Dierberg family, Drum Canyon Vineyard thrives in the eminent Sta. Rita Hills AVA. The region is adjacent to the Pacific Ocean and celebrated for its oblique mountain range which allows the strong coastal breeze and fog to drift through the vines. The vineyard is planted on steep hillsides; the grapes for Tolosa's Single Vineyard are sourced from a lower section of the slope planted on sandy loam soils. It is our only Single Vineyard made of California Heritage (suitcase) clones, Calera and Swan. Calera is rumored to be a cutting from Romanée-Conti, and Swan is known for being propagated in the Russian River Valley by Joseph Swan. Both clones are highly sought-after.

Color	Burgundy red
On the nose	Confectionary notes dominate, with graham cracker and vanilla powder in addition to olallieberry and blackberry preserve.
On the palate	Juicy black cherry and blackberry fruit, with a hint of vanilla custard. Floral notes of hibiscus are complimented with faint savors of baking spices and raw sugar. Great texture from start to finish.
Varietal	Pinot Noir
Fermentation	Stainless steel open top fermentation tanks
Aging	9 months in French oak barrels, with 30% of them being new
Vineyard	Drum Canyon Vineyard
Enjoy	2023 - 2031