



# TOLOSA

## Drum Canyon Vineyard Pinot Noir 2020

### Sta. Rita Hills

#### WINEMAKER NOTES

Drum Canyon Vineyard consistently receives praise for its plumper mouthfeel, flawless minerality, and terroir-driven acidity. This vineyard site has produced top notch wines, and we are pleased to add our praise to the chorus for the Sta. Rita Hills AVA. The grapes are always the first to be picked out of our Single Vineyard lineup. The slightly warmer climate guides the grapes to ripen sooner, while the coastal influence helps retain the acidity. We make sure to give grapes from this vineyard extra attention during the fermentation process to softly extract tannins while still achieving a concentrated palate.

#### 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. We source two 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.

<b>Color</b>	Deep ruby with a purple hue
<b>On the nose</b>	Blackberry, plum, violet, with savory notes of black olive, pepper, salami, and a hint of dusty minerality
<b>On the palate</b>	A silky palate with notes of pomegranate pith, tart cherry, blackberry liqueur, dried oregano, earl grey tea on the finish
<b>Varietal</b>	Pinot Noir
<b>Fermentation</b>	Stainless steel, open top fermentation tanks
<b>Aging</b>	9 months in French oak barrels, with 23% of them being new
<b>Vineyards</b>	Drum Canyon Vineyard
<b>AVA</b>	Sta. Rita Hills
<b>Enjoy</b>	2024 – 2032