



TOLOSA

Solomon Hills Vineyard Pinot Noir 2020

Santa Maria Valley

WINEMAKER NOTES

This Single Vineyard stunner erupts with the deep, classic Pinot Noir perfume. The cooler trend from the 2020 vintage is found on the finish with a serious tannin structure and an earthy character that lingers on the palate. Solomon Hills Vineyard is a famous property planted and farmed by the Miller family. The exciting and innovative grapes from this property are growing in demand, as Pinot Noir connoisseurs appreciate the attractive and elegant notes from the wines. The grapes are carefully picked by hand in small yellow bins. The fruit is sorted by an optical sorting machine before fermentation in stainless steel tanks. The wine spends 9 months ageing in French oak barrels. As anticipated, the cool coastal region takes center stage in this wine with the bright acidity. With time, the wine builds broader notes filling the palate with depth and a rich mouthfeel. The lush, seamlessly layered, unboundedly savory wine from this vineyard, has the ability to evolve for years.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

This vineyard couldn't be more coastal California, as it is wedged in between its sister vineyard Bien Nacido and the sea with an ocean view from the sandy dunes. Solomon Hills Vineyard takes its name from Salomon Pico, a celebrated bandit who travelled frequently along the El Camino Real in the 1850s—and may have inspired the legend of Zorro. This vineyard is located at the westernmost end of the Santa Maria Valley AVA and is so close to the Pacific Ocean you can taste it in the wines that flourish in the sandy soils. The vineyard receives the coastal fog that rolls into the valley and the afternoon sea breeze that cools the vines.

Color	Ruby with a rose-pink rim
On the nose	Nutmeg, strawberry pie, green tobacco leaf, crushed rock, hibiscus, and pepper
On the palate	Cherry pit, pomegranate tea, tobacco, crushed rock, and hibiscus carry over from the palate with a chalky minerality found on the mid-palate
Varietal	Pinot Noir
Fermentation	Stainless steel, open top fermentation tanks
Aging	9 months in French oak barrels, with 6% of them being new
Vineyards	Solomon Hills Vineyard
AVA	Santa Maria Valley
Enjoy	2022 – 2034