



TOLOSA

PACIFIC WIND SYRAH 2020

SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST



VINTAGE NOTES

The 2020 growing season along the San Luis Obispo Coast was defined by a dry winter and a mild, extended ripening period. The coastal influence moderated vineyard temperatures, allowing for excellent phenolic development and natural acidity. Harvest for this blend spanned early to mid-October, with careful attention to varietal maturity to capture the rich character of both Syrah and Petite Sirah.

VINEYARD SOURCES

The wine composition is 91% Syrah exclusively from the Salaal block 684, fermented across two distinct lots, and 9% Petite Sirah from Edna Ranch block 576, bringing depth and color to the profile. These sites benefit from a unique marine-influenced climate, promoting balanced ripening and complexity.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was fully destemmed and optically sorted, followed by a 3-day cold soak to enhance color and flavor. Fermentation occurred in stainless steel open-top tanks: one Syrah lot at 82°F with RX60 yeast, and the other Syrah lot and Petite Sirah at 95°F with William Selyem yeast. After 10 days on skins, the wine was aged 18 months in 132-gallon French oak puncheons, 28% of which were new.

ABOUT TOLOSA

Established in 1998, Tolosa Winery is nestled in the heart of San Luis Obispo's Edna Valley and within the San Luis Obispo Coast AVA. Specializing in ultra-premium Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, Tolosa strategically partners with California's most renowned winegrowers and esteemed vineyards in its sourcing of exceptional, sustainably-farmed wine grapes. The winery is celebrated for its innovative winemaking techniques and unwavering dedication to sustainable practices, artfully highlighting the diverse terroirs of the finest grape-growing regions in California.

Sight	Inky purple violet
Nose	Black pepper, violet, touch of menthol, bacon fat, touch of smoke and dark chocolate.
Palate	Fresh, violet again, iodine, cherry cobbler, black currant, dusty.