

TOLOSA

Drum Canyon Vineyard Pinot Noir 2021 Sta. Rita Hills

VINTAGE NOTES

2021 was slow and steady, with mild temperatures prevailing from bud break to harvest. Mild early season conditions produced a favorable fruit set and grapes developed steadily with no extreme weather events. Santa Rita Hills harvest was later this year than most of Santa Barbara; grapes were picked on September 3rd with excellent flavor, color and acidity.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

Drum Canyon was developed by the Dierberg family in 2003. Located between Lompoc and Buellton on the eastern edge of the Santa Rita Hills AVA, Drum Canyon is known for its steep hillsides, fog, strong maritime winds, and sandy loamy soils planted to Calera and Swan clones, two of California's classic Pinot Noir clones.

WINEMAKING

The Calera clone took center stage in 2021, comprising two-thirds of the blend. After destemming and a three-day cold soak, fermentation was done in open top stainless-steel tanks at a range of warm and cool temperatures. Aged 11 months in 100% French oak with 18% new barrels.

Sight Medium to medium dark ruby red

Nose Aromas of black cherry, red beets, plums with a spicy mix of savory, earthy

lavender and anise notes.

Palate Medium body, layered and fruit driven, particularly cherry, pomegranate and

cranberry with an interesting mineral driven texture and beautiful balance.