



TOLOSA



SYRAH 2021

SAN LUIS OBISPO COAST

VINTAGE NOTES

2021 was a long, cool growing season. The combination of cooler weather and strong winds in the spring slowed development and created differing yields in the vineyards followed by a moderate summer and fall. The long cool characteristics of the season allowed us to make picks in late October and early November of grapes that showcase an incredible balance of ripeness, acidity and concentration.

VINEYARD SOURCES

The grapes for this wine were hand harvested primarily from our Salaal Vineyard located on Biddle Lane. Salaal Syrah benefits from rich clay soils and slightly warmer growing conditions that were enhanced by Grenache from the organically farmed Morro View vineyard, five miles from the Pacific Ocean in Edna Valley known for its stony sedimentary soils.

WINEMAKING

The 2021 San Luis Obispo Coast Syrah is comprised of 91% Syrah and 9% Grenache. After destemming and optical sorting, grapes were cold soaked for three days at cooler temperatures before fermentation in an open top stainless-steel tank. After fermentation, the wine was aged for 18 months in 100% French oak barrels, 35% new.

ABOUT TOLOSA

Cowboy dreams of owning a cattle ranch brought Vintner Robin Baggett to Edna Valley. The cold Pacific wind that sweeps down the coast into the transverse valley and a myriad of soils derived from an ancient seabed made him realize he was on a frontier of a different sort. Tolosa is the expression of his commitment to spare no effort to craft nuanced and balanced Pinot Noir and Chardonnay of distinctive character to rival any in the world.

Sight	Medium red ruby with a pinkish rim
Nose	Deep aromas of cherry, boysenberry and cassis are enhanced by notes of cured meats, toast, black peppercorn and olive.
Palate	Medium full bodied flavors of dark cherry and plum mixed with leather, dried earth, black tea and light roast coffee.