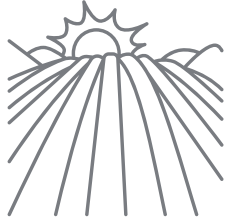


Topography



Sandy, silt and clay loams with numerous marine deposits. Grapes for this wine came primarily from Rancho Santa Rosa vineyard planted to Dijon Clone 96 located between Buellton and Lompoc on Highway 246.

Appellation



Sta. Rita Hills benefit from the Pacific Ocean's cooling influences, less than twenty miles away to the west, south and southeast. The coastal valleys funnel the cool Pacific breezes through the vineyards.

Winemaking



After optical sorting and destemming, grapes were cold soaked for three days before fermentation in 100% stainless steel tanks at a mix of warm and cool temperatures.

Fermentation



The wine was aged for 9 months in French oak of which 13% were new.