



TOLOSA



STONE LION PINOT NOIR 2016

Edna Valley

WINEMAKER NOTES

This wine is named after the stone lion statue discovered in the Moretti section of Tolosa estate vineyard, Edna Ranch. After selecting a series of small lots, the wine is blended to take on an earthy and bold profile while showcasing the finesse of Pinot Noir. The 2016 vintage was an ideal vintage, bringing rain and a traditional growing season which allowed the grapes to have a long hangtime on the vine to develop concentrated flavors. The wine fermented in open top fermentation tanks to allow a gentle fermentation process. The wine was aged for 9 months in 100% French oak barrels, with 30% of them being new.

ABOUT THE VINEYARD

Tolosa's estate vineyard, Edna Ranch, is located within a transverse valley. The Pacific wind sweeps down the coast and into the valley, creating a microclimate ideal for ripening delicate Pinot Noir grapes. The estate encompasses six sections spread throughout the Edna Valley, offering 60 different soil types, including limestone- the Holy Grail for Pinot Noir. This wine is the product of the unique and diverse terroir showcasing Edna Valley as its finest.

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At Tolosa, we are true believers in the special terroir that is Edna Valley, nestled amongst the northwest to southeast running volcanic hills of San Luis Obispo County and the frontier for the most complex cool-climate varieties in California. Our Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays reflect the cold Pacific wind that sweeps down the coast and funnels into the valley, as well as the remarkable diversity of soil types: ingredients for nuanced and balanced wines of distinctive character.

Color	Deep red cherry color
On the Nose	Inviting aromas of rose petals, blackberry, piecrust, pepper and crushed stone
On the Palate	The piecrust carries onto the palate with notes of raspberry, cedar, flint, blonde leather and a layer of cured meats with tobacco on the finish showcasing a rounded mouth-feel with volume that contributes to a long finish.
Varietal	Pinot Noir
Fermentation	Stainless steel open top fermentation tanks
Aging	9 months in 25% new French oak barrels
Vineyard	Edna Ranch
Case Production	952
Alcohol by Vol.	14.2%