

## 2020 STA. RITA HILLS PINOT NOIR



Racines is a collaboration by two classic houses from France, led by Etienne de Montille and Brian Sieve of Burgundy and Rodolphe Peters of Champagne. The team came together to join their individual experiences in hand-crafting wines of purity and transparency to create a range of Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from the cool climate of the Sta. Rita Hills in California.

## VINEYARDS

From vineyards that lie on the Santa Rosa Rosa Corridor of the Santa Rita Hills and farmed using organic practices. These sites consist of varying soil types from sandy loam, clay loam, chert, shale. This is a wine that we believe best represents the potential of the region as a whole. Vineyards: La Encantada Vineyard, La Rinconada Vineyard, Rancho la Viña Vineyard & Sanford & Benedict Vineyard.

## PRODUCTION

On average, 50% whole cluster is retained during fermentation using native yeast. We manage fermentation with a combination of foulage and pigeage for about three weeks before being put to 228L barriques for elevage.

## TECHNICAL CHARACTERISTICS

Elevage

17 months - 15% new French oak

Alcohol

13%

Soil Type

Gazos clay loam over shale