

2021 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

This wine is sourced from several vineyards that lie on the Santa Rosa Road corridor of the Sta. Rita Hills. These sites consist of varying soil types from sandy loam, clay loam, chert and shale. We believe that this cuvée best represents the potential of the region as a whole. Vineyards include: La Rinconada Vineyard, Rancho la Viña Vineyard, Wenzlau Family Vineyard and Sanford & Benedict Vineyard.

PRODUCTION

Approximately 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