



# LINCOURT

## *Santa Ynez Valley* 2019 ROSÉ OF GRENACHE

### OVERVIEW

When Bill Foley founded Lincourt in 1996, the Sta. Rita Hills region of Santa Barbara county was largely undiscovered. Today it is one of California's most coveted, cool-climate, viticultural regions. Lincourt's wines are produced entirely from our two estate vineyards within the AVA. They are rolling hillside sites that offer 'limiting' soils, large diurnal temperature swings and long growing seasons. Our wines are rich, structured, fruit forward and regionally exact.

### SUSTAINABILITY

At Lincourt, we believe that a vibrant, living environment has a positive effect on the health of the vines and the character and quality of the wines. To ensure the vitality of our land and the authenticity of our wines, we use sustainable methods in all of our farming, winemaking and business practices.

### VINTAGE

The 2019 vintage started off with an extended cool growing season staging us for a later than normal start date to harvest. We had some concerns, but just like clockwork, we got some intense Labor Day heat which pushed the vines to maturation. The disease pressure was low and quality was good so having a little patience was a good virtue to possess. We also had the anomaly of a hard frost the first week of October with temperatures dipping down to 29° in some of the lower elevation blocks pushing us to pull in the last bit of fruit quickly. Harvest wrapped up on October 23 with mother nature delivering us a roller coaster of weather but with it a nuance and diversity of fruit expression.

### VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

The fruit for our 2019 Rosé was harvested from a combination of our Firestone Crossroads Estate Vineyard in Santa Ynez Valley and our Rancho Santa Rosa West Vineyard at Lincourt Estate. The fruit was fermented in stainless steel with native yeast using a process called stabulation, which delays the onset of fermentation and contributes to the aromatics of this delicate wine. The Rosé was bottled quickly to help retain the fresh fruit aromatics.

### TASTING NOTES

The wine opens with aromas of fresh white peach and watermelon Jolly Rancher. On the palate there are notes of ripe nectarine and fresh strawberries that linger with a touch of nostalgic cotton candy tones on the finish.

APPELLATION	100% Santa Ynez Valley
VINEYARD	Firestone Vineyard and Rancho Santa Rosa West
HARVEST DATE	September 10 - October 25, 2019
COMPOSITION	92% Grenache, 8% Pinot Noir
BARREL AGING	Stainless steel
ALCOHOL	13.9%
TA	6.1 g/L
pH	3.19
BOTTLING DATE	December 4, 2019
PRODUCTION	394 cases