



LINCOURT

Sta. Rita Hills

2019 ZOULA NUNN CHARDONNAY

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 began with a long, cool growing season staging us for a later than normal start date to harvest. We had some intense Labor Day heat which pushed the vines to maturation. The disease pressure was low and quality was good across the board. Harvest wrapped up on October 23 with mother nature delivering us a roller coaster of a season, but with it, a nuance and diversity of fruit expression unique to this vintage.

VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

As part of the original Spanish Land Grant, Rancho Santa Rosa is one of Santa Barbara's most historic properties. This beautiful south-facing hillside climbs from 500 to 1,000 feet above sea level. It features 59 individual microblocks delineated by terroir, soil type, elevation, grade and exposure to the maritime winds off the Pacific Ocean. The grapes were gently wholecluster pressed and transferred to tank after harvest. Regular stirring of the lees imparted additional viscosity and complexity. The wine was aged for 18 months in French and American oak barrels, 60% of which were new.

TASTING NOTES

Named after Proprietor Bill Foley's mother, our Zoula Nunn Chardonnay is the boldest of our black label series. Intense aromas of freshly baked vanilla wafer with a slight nuance of toasted coconut intrigue the senses from the first swirl of the glass. This is a decadent chardonnay with rich notes of dried honeysuckle flowers, crème brûlée, and caramelized sugar. The texture is hearty and opulent, pairing beautifully with a protein or fava bean ravioli in a brown butter sauce.

APPELLATION	Sta. Rita Hills
VINEYARD	Rancho Santa Rosa West and East
HARVEST DATE	September 17 - October 23, 2019
COMPOSITION	100% Chardonnay
ALCOHOL	14.3%
TA	6.4 g/L
pH	3.49
BOTTLING DATE	June 15, 2021
PRODUCTION	216 cases