



# LINCOURT

## 2024 PINOT NOIR

*RANCHO SANTA ROSA – STA. RITA HILLS*



When Proprietor 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 wines are produced primarily from two estate vineyards within the AVA – wines that are rich, structured, fruit forward, and regionally exact.

### VINTAGE

2024 was defined by a cooler, more moderate growing season with less than average rainfall and late bud break. After several years of early harvest start dates, 2024 returned to a more typical time frame, with our first pick after Labor Day and our last pick on October 22. The vines produced lower yields contributing to good vine balance, excellent concentration of flavors, and natural retention of bright acidity leading to lean, fresh, and elegant wines.

### VINEYARDS & WINEMAKING

The fruit for this wine was harvested and sorted in the vineyard prior to arrival at the winery. The clusters were then carefully destemmed to keep the berries intact. Additional hand sorting removed any jack stems before the fruit was transferred to small, stainless steel, open-top fermenters. The juice and skins were cold soaked for 4 days prior to fermentation and then gently punched down for several days. After primary fermentation was complete, the new wine was drained and the skins were gently pressed. The Pinot Noir was aged for 10 months in French oak barrels, 15% new.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2024 Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir is meticulously crafted to represent the pinnacle of this world-class AVA. The wine opens with an inviting bouquet of boysenberry jam and sun-ripened red cherry. On the palate, it is vibrant and fruit-driven, delivering a lush core of juicy black cherry interlaced with refreshing ribbons of pomegranate and dark plum. A subtle touch of black pepper graces the finish, adding a sophisticated savory dimension. This expressive Pinot Noir is a versatile companion for the table, pairing beautifully with an earthy mushroom ragu or a miso-sesame salmon salad.

**APPELLATION** *Sta. Rita Hills* | **COMPOSITION** *100% Pinot Noir*

**HARVEST DATES** *September 9 – October 22, 2024* | **COOPERAGE** *10 months in French oak, 15% new*

**ALCOHOL** *14.3%* | **TA** *6.1 g/L* | **pH** *3.67*

*1,593 cases bottled June 16, 2025*



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