



# LINCOURT

## 2025 GRÜNER VELTLINER

*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

The 2025 growing season was remarkably cool, leading to the latest harvest our California-native winemaker has ever seen. Rather than the typical Labor Day heat, we saw temperatures dip to 39°F in the Sta. Rita Hills, followed by an unprecedented series of late-season rains. These unique conditions required constant vigilance but rewarded us with perfectly balanced fruit. The extended “hang time” resulted in lower sugar levels and naturally lower alcohol, crafting elegant wines defined by restraint, fresh acidity, and beautiful nuance.

### 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. This wine is 100% stainless steel fermented and aged.

### TASTING NOTES

The 2025 Grüner Veltliner opens with bright aromatics of lemon-lime zest and a tropical hint of fresh kiwi. On the palate, the wine is crisp and mouthwatering, driven by a vibrant acidity that carries through to a smooth, indulgent finish of nectarine and peaches-and-cream. This wine is an exceptional partner for creamy, salty cheeses like chèvre or grilled artichokes drizzled with lemon.

**APPELLATION** *Sta. Rita Hills* | **COMPOSITION** 100% Grüner Veltliner

**HARVEST DATES** August 29 - October 28 | **AGING** stainless steel

**ALCOHOL** 13.9% | **TA** 5.7 g/L | **pH** 3.41

*137 cases bottled February 4, 2026*



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