



LINCOURT

PINOT NOIR

Lindsay
2019



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 2019 vintage began with a long, cool growing season staging us for a later than normal start of harvest. We had some intense Labor Day heat that pushed the vines to maturation. The disease pressure was low and quality was good across the board. Harvest was completed 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

The sustainably-farmed fruit for Lindsay's Pinot Noir comes from a beautiful south-facing hillside that climbs from 500 to 1,000 feet above sea level. It is a rolling hillside site that offers 'limiting' soils, large diurnal temperature swings and a long growing season. The 2019 features Pinot Noir clones 828 and 115. The fruit was hand-harvested and sorted in the vineyard with the clusters, then carefully destemmed to keep the berries intact. Additional hand sorting removed any jack stems before the fruit was transferred to stainless steel tanks. The fruit was cold soaked for four days and then fermented in open top bins with regular punch downs to extract maximum color and flavor. After primary fermentation was complete, the wine was drained and the skins were gently pressed. The Pinot Noir was aged for 18 months in 5% new French oak barrels.

TASTING NOTES

The 2019 Lindsay's Pinot Noir opens with aromas of bright red cherry cola and cranberry fruit. On the palate, it is a light-bodied Pinot Noir with dominate flavors of red cranberry tart and fresh red raspberry purée. Spiced peppercorn, dried cherry, and raspberry fruit notes linger on the finish. This wine would be a delight paired with a creamy fromage.

APPELLATION Sta. Rita Hills | **VINEYARD** Rancho Santa Rosa | **COMPOSITION** 100% Pinot Noir

HARVEST DATES September 17 – October 23 | **COOPERAGE** 18 months in French oak, 5% new

ALCOHOL 14.1% | **TA** 6.0 g/L | **pH** 3.57

225 cases bottled April 29, 2022



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