



## 2021 SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS PINOT NOIR

BEST OF THE VINE

COMMITTED TO SUSTAINABILITY



### WEATHER CONDITIONS FOR VINTAGE

The growing season in Monterey was for the most part cool and dry. Resulting cool temperatures gave a long growing season where ripening progressed slowly. The 2021 Pinot Noir crop was balanced and came with great flavor intensity, fresh-juicy acidity, and refined phenolic development. Our 2021 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir harvest began on September 17th.

### VINIFICATION COMMENTS

The fruit was sourced from two east facing vineyards on the Santa Lucia Highlands. Soils here are free draining-low vigor soils highly regarded to produce premium wine grapes. Clones include 4 (Pommard), 667, 777, 23, & 115.

### WINEMAKER COMMENTS

NOSE: Black plum, raspberry, cherry, and spices.

PALATE: Flavors of strawberry, blackberry, and rhubarb are complimented by spice and subtle earth tones. Dense, fine tannins, are balanced by a juicy acidity.

ALC.	PH	TA	R.S.	APPELLATION	AGING	BOTTLING DATE
14.7%	3.56	5.4 g/L	1.2 g/L	Santa Lucia Highlands	100% French Oak, 27% new for 15 months	February 02, 2023

WINEMAKER: CRAIG MCALLISTER



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