



## **2014 Pinot Noir Rancho Santa Rosa Vineyard Sta. Rita Hills AVA**

Rancho Santa Rosa Vineyard is owned by Bill Foley of Foley Family Wines and is located between Lompoc and Buellton on Highway 246. Rather than a single vineyard, it's actually more like a quilt of many small vineyards, as each block was meticulously planted to just the right varietal, rootstock and clone for that particular slope and soil. There are 225 acres planted with Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Since 2002, Flying Goat has been sourcing grapes from the vineyard. Beginning in 2010, we secured clone 667 from block 3, which is an undulating hillside block. This block produces very small berries in very tight clusters with lots of intense fruit and color due to the extreme conditions of the *terroir*.

### **Tasting Notes**

Decant (time-out) this wine for at least 60 minutes during its youth. This fruit forward wine delights your palate with flavors of cranberry and red currant, while blue fruit and violet tantalize your nose. The structure of this bullish wine enables it to pair well with "beef- it's what's for dinner." After all, the West wasn't won eating vegetables. Dark chocolate is another pairing option.

### **Details**

Harvest: August 25, 2014  
Bottled: March 25, 2016  
Released: October 1, 2016  
Production: 228 cases  
Price: \$48

Alcohol: 14.2% by volume  
pH: 3.63  
TA: .66 g/100ml  
Brix: 23.4  
Clone: 667/777