



2017 Pinot Noir Bien Nacido Vineyard Dijon Santa Maria Valley AVA

This is our eighth vintage from the historic Bien Nacido Vineyards in Santa Maria Valley AVA. In 2010, Flying Goat Cellars began sourcing grapes from old vines at Bien Nacido Vineyard Block N. We source Martini clone (clone 13) from the original 1973 plantings that came from stock grown by the University of California, Davis, and grow on their own roots. The vineyard has 12x7 spacing and vertical shoot positioning (VSP) trellis system. Soil type is Elder loam and Elder shaly loam on a 9-15% slope, allowing for great drainage. The Miller family own and farm this vineyard, along with Solomon Hills.

Tasting Notes

The 40 year old vines struggled to ripen the fruit and created a leaner and vibrant expression this vintage, which is very tasty in its youthful release. The pomegranate color of this vintage is unique. A hint of dark chocolate covered black cherries and dried cranberries delights the nose. Subtle expressions of smoked jerky and coffee grounds are displayed on the palate. Pair with roasted marinated chicken, arugula pesto pasta or grilled cedar plank pork. Sweet Creations Chocolate with sea salt is another option.

Details

Harvested:	September 18, 2017	Alcohol:	13.5% by Volume
Bottled:	March 26, 2019	pH:	3.65
Released:	September 5, 2020	TA:	.64 g/100mL
Clone:	13 (Martini)	Brix:	23%
Production:	127 cases	Retail Price:	\$60