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# FLYING GOAT CELLARS®

2019 PINOT NOIR  
RIO VISTA VINEYARD  
STA. RITA HILLS

ALC. 14.3% BY VOL.

## 2019 Pinot Noir Rio Vista Vineyard Dijon Sta. Rita Hills AVA

Three different blocks and three different clones comprise Rio Vista Vineyard. This meticulously farmed vineyard sweeps down the hillside on the southeastern edge of the Sta. Rita Hills AVA, overlooking the Santa Ynez River – hence its name, “River View”. The grapes for our wine hail from the steep, eastern hillside of the vineyard, with soils laden with rocks and chert. Our Dijon blend is made up of clones 115, 667 and 777. After hand harvesting, the perfect little clusters were gently de-stemmed and the whole berries placed into fermenters. After inoculation with yeast, the “must” slurry of juice and skins was punched down by hand twice each day to extract flavor, color and tannins. Upon completion of fermentation, the wine was placed into French oak barrels and allowed to age for about 18 months. After a light filtration to ensure clarity and remove any unwanted sediment, the wine was bottled and stored. This bottle aging allowed the tannins, acids and flavors to meld and integrate, providing a wine that is enjoyable upon release. Each of these “dijonaise” clones contributes a component and enhances the others in this blend.

### Tasting Notes

Medium garnet in color, the aromatics of this wine are reminiscent of being entangled in blueberry vines and raspberry briars. Visualize an hedonistic experience relaxing on a Roman divan while being fed grapes, one at a time. The palate is quite elegant upon release and will continue evolving as it ages, just like a tender young sapling that matures into a majestic oak. Pair with pork, skirt steak, lamb, turkey, butternut squash lasagna with sage. Mocha opera cake will bring down the house.

### Details

Harvested:	September 18, 2019	Alcohol:	13.8% by Volume
Bottled:	June 9, 2021	pH:	3.74
Released:	April 1, 2023	TA:	.64g/100mL
Clone:	667, 777, 115	Brix:	22.8%
Production:	278cases	Retail Price:	\$55