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2019 Pinot Noir Dierberg Vineyard Santa Maria Valley AVA

Planted in 1997, the Dierberg Vineyard was located in the middle of the Santa Maria Valley. It was the oldest of three vineyards owned by the Dierberg family in Santa Barbara County. The vineyard boasted 161 acres of rolling hills with mostly sandy loam soils, about 2/3 of which was planted to Pinot Noir. Beginning in 2001, we enjoyed working with the fruit from this vineyard. It was the second vineyard in the Flying Goat portfolio and Kate's personal favorite. Over a series of years Mother Nature took a toll on the vineyard and the Dierberg family opted to pull out all the vines after the 2019 harvest. We're sorry to see Dierberg go but Flying Goat enjoyed a great 19 year run!

Tasting Notes

Upon release, this youthful wine is best left to breath to fully enjoy the intoxicating aromatics on the nose and lingering expression on the palate. The dusty earth aroma is complemented by hints of dark plum or blackberry jam. The savory palate speaks to lingonberry, red plum and blueberry. Pair this tasty wine with grilled salmon, paella, BBQ pork or even blueberry clafoutis. Not surprisingly, *Wine Enthusiast* Editor Matt Kettmann gives this wine 94 points. He noted, "Damp earth and porcini-dust aromas meet with dried meats, clove and crushed berry on the nose of this bottling. A black raspberry compote flavor is lifted by chai spice and salted pork elements on the layered palate."

Details

Harvest: September 9, 2019

Bottled: June 9. 2021

Released: September 10, 2022

Production: 200 cases

Price: \$52

Alcohol: 14.2% by volume

pH: 3.67

TA: .69g/100ml Brix: 23.7%

Clone: 667& 777