

## 2018 'FIDDLESTIX VINEYARD' PINOT NOIR

- 100% PINOT NOIR
- STA. RITA HILLS SANTA BARBARA COUNTY, CALIFORNIA
- AGED IN 50% NEW AND 50% NEUTRAL FRENCH OAK BARRELS FOR 18 MONTHS
- ALC. 14.8% BY VOL.
- 200 CASES MADE
- BLACK CHERRY, STRAWBERRY, CINNAMON
- 93 Points Wine Enthusiast

This is a bottling of 'Fiddlestix Vineyard' Pinot Noir, planted in 1996 on the grounds of a former flower farm, located on the western end of the Santa Ynez Valley in the Sta. Rita Hills. The vineyard is characterized by a cool climate, largely influenced by its proximity to the Pacific Ocean, which is about 10 miles away. The area benefits from fog and coastal breezes blowing through the Sta. Rita Hills, contributing to a moderate climate with temperatures rarely rising above 75 degrees Fahrenheit.

Fiddlestix Vineyard is also notable for its organic farming practices and has been SIP (Sustainability in Practice) Certified under Fiddlehead Cellars ownership for vintages since 2013.

Since our first vintage in 2005, we've consistently produced several distinct releases of Pinot Noir from Fiddlestix Vineyard.

"Dense aromas of baked boysenberry, black plum and mulling spices make for a detailed and decadent nose on this bottling. Polished tannins frame the rich but balanced flavors of black cherry, strawberry, mace, cinnamon and clove on the impressive palate." — Matt Kettmann, Wine Enthusiast

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