



RUSACK

2016 PINOT NOIR

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY



VINTAGE: 2016

VARIETAL: 100% PINOT NOIR

AVA: SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

GROWER/RANCH: 60% JOHN SEBASTIANO, 20% FIDDLESTIX,
20% SOLOMON HILLS

PRODUCED & BOTTLED BY: RUSACK VINEYARDS, SOLVANG, CA

BOTTLING DATE: AUGUST 2017

CASES PRODUCED: 782 CASES

RETAIL PRICE: \$30.00

RELEASE DATE: SPRING 2019

FERMENTATION: TEN DAY FERMENTATION FOLLOWED BY A 20
DAY EXTENDED MACERATION IN 1 TON OPEN
BINS WITH REGULAR HAND PUNCH DOWNS

AGING: 11 MONTHS

100% FRENCH OAK (34% NEW)

BOTTLE ANALYSIS: ALCOHOL: 13.8%

pH: 3.47

TA: 0.620G/100ML

TASTING NOTES: THE 2016 RUSACK SANTA BARBARA
COUNTY PINOT NOIR IS A WONDERFUL
EXPRESSION OF WHAT OUR AREA'S COOLER
CLIMATE WINES CAN BE. PACKED WITH
BRIGHT JUICY NOTES OF STRAWBERRIES,
RASPBERRIES, AND CARAMEL, THIS WINE ALSO
HAS SUBTLE HINTS OF ORANGE MERINGUE.
FIRM ACIDITY AND AN ELEGANT BALANCE
MAKE FOR A VERY APPROACHABLE, FOOD
FRIENDLY, WINE.

The grapes for this Pinot Noir are sourced from three separate vineyards located in the cool Northern and Western most growing areas of Santa Barbara County. Each vineyard is influenced by morning fogs and afternoon breezes from the nearby Pacific. All are perfectly matched climates for this particular varietal. We had these grapes picked in the early dawn and promptly delivered to our winery. Upon arrival, the fruit was gently de-stemmed, and placed into small 1-ton bins. They then underwent a ten day fermentation/maceration process, including at least two punch downs per day. The resulting wine was then gently pressed and transferred into French oak barrels (34% new) and aged for 11 months. This wonderful Pinot was then bottled unfiltered.

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