



Santa Barbara Highlands Vineyard

2022

VINEYARD: Santa Barbara Highlands VARIETAL: 100% Grenache, Clone 2; Noir; Tablas A FARMING: SIP certified, glyphosate-free. ALCOHOL: 12.9% abv FINISHING pH: 3.29 RELEASE DATE: March 7th, 2023 AVA: Santa Barbara County HARVEST DATE: Sep. 6th (clone Noir/2: moon in Sagittarius) & Sep 8th 2022 (Mesa block: moon in Capricorn) ÉLEVAGE: 11 weeks in stainless (Aroha) BOTTLING DATE: February 16, 2023 (moon in Sagittarius) TOTAL PRODUCTION: 1560 cases

Our eleventh vintage of the wine that defines the joy of Spring! In 2022 we further increased our selection from our beloved 'Mesa' block (our single-vineyard source), which brings a lifted ethereal dimension to the aromatics, and my tasting notes indeed include skyward jonquil.

The Mesa clusters were foot-tread by two favourite Jen(n)s and I – and left on skins for just 24 hours to impart their gorgeous tonality and texture, before being pressed with their clone Noir/2 sisters. A long, slow, cool fermentation ensued. The finished wine aged sur lie in stainless before being bottled under a Sagittarius moon on February 16, 2023: my dear Nana Grace's 101st birthday.

Tasting notes: Anise, jonquil, strawberry rhubarb and kowhai.

