

## **POINT & LINE®**

**2016 Pinot Noir - John Sebastiano Vineyard, Sta. Rita Hills AVA**

### **Technical Data**

Clone(s) - 100% Pommard 5, Block 27 Harvest - 23.0° brix on August 26, 2016  
Élevage - Destemmed fruit. 18 months in barrel. Racked once prior to bottling.  
Once-used Rousseau along with used Orion and Sylvain cooperage.  
Bottling - 145 cases on March 19, 2018 TA - 5.25 g/L pH - 3.91 ABV - 13.55%

### **Harvest and Bottle Notes**

With a good bit of rain early in the year, a relatively stress-free growing cycle, and minimal extreme weather until some heat spikes in mid-September, the vintage presented a real opportunity for steady grape maturation.

The first impression of the 2016 John Sebastiano is of a rather lean, bright and assertive Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir. The wine is perfumed and alive, with red fruit, spices and floral aromatics, along with richer notes of salted caramel and agave with a lingering salinity on the finish. Upon aeration, more detailed flavors of strawberry, raspberry, and plum cover the palate. Earthy and savory notes of cola berry and cocoa unfold in the glass, ultimately revealing an age-worthy wine of structure and finesse.