

SANFORD

2012 Pinot Noir La Rinconada Vineyard

The 2012 La Rinconada Pinot Noir is sourced from select blocks of our estate vineyard in the esteemed Santa Rita Hills AVA. Planted with twelve different Pinot Noir clones, the younger of our two estate vineyards typically shows its more rambunctious nature through its robust flavors and velvety texture. A nearly perfect, even growing season delivered complex wines of impeccable balance. This 2012 bottling is deep ruby red in color and is exploding with spicy black fruits framed nicely by bright acidity. The mid palate is full and round and leads to a lingering finish suggestive of cherry and mocha.

The wine was allowed to age in French Oak barrels (50% New) for 14 months where it gained concentration and a velvety texture. While enjoyable now, this wine has the balance and concentration to age gracefully for the next 5 to 10 years.

Appellation:	Sta. Rita Hills
Vineyard:	La Rinconada Vineyard
Varietals:	100% Pinot Noir
Cold Soak:	5 days
Fermentation:	14 days in stainless steel open top tank
Brix at Harvest:	24.0
Aging:	Aged in French Oak barrels (50% new) for 14 months.
pH:	3.5
TA:	7.1 g/L
Alcohol:	14.2%
Total Cases:	1,036

UPC: 086891-07293-7
SCC: 1 00 86891-07293-4
Case: 6 pack

Features

- La Rinconada Vineyard planted in 1997 in the sweet spot of the Sta. Rita Hills
- Unique soil composition featuring loam, shale, and diatomaceous earth
- Wines are hand-crafted by lot and produced sustainably

Benefits

- Mature vineyard centrally located in the AVA providing cool but not cold growing temperatures
- Well drained, loose soils contribute to naturally low, high quality yields
- Limited production offering that captures the essence of the single vineyard

Competitive Set

- Sea Smoke
- Williams Selyem
- Domaine Serene Reserve

