



ROAR

2022 ROSELLA'S VINEYARD PINOT NOIR

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Rosella's Vineyard is the first property we planted to vine, and is the northernmost of our vineyards. Planted in 1996, it wraps around our family home and is named for Rosella, Gary's wife. Its rows are often laced with fog and plush lemon trees flank its western edge. The sandy loam soil allows good drainage, encouraging deep vine roots that add complexity in the wines. Our wines from Rosella's Vineyard are known for their expressive aromatics and smooth suppleness on the palate.

WINEMAKER NOTES

A stunning blend of power and elegance, Rosella's Vineyard delivers beautiful lifted floral and dusty herbal notes with a core of juicy berries that is distinctly redder than our Pinot Noir vineyards further south. Ample fruit and structure promise the long aging potential of this exceptional vintage. Rose petals, cherries, and warm spice notes abound, typical of our home ranch vineyard.

VINTAGE SUMMARY

The 2022 season began with another unusually dry winter in the Highlands. We received 7.5 inches of rain, below our average of 10-14. Each seasonal marker came early, from bud break to veraison and then harvest, about two weeks ahead of "normal." For us and for growers across the Santa Lucia Highlands, the crop was light and produced less wine, but once again we're thrilled with the quality and structure that will lead to long aging potential. The wines showcase a feminine quality with our signature bright, fruit-forward flavors and beautiful texture.

Winemaker: Scott Shapley

Appellation: Santa Lucia Highlands

Farming: Sustainable (SIP Certified)

Harvest: September 3 - 16, 2022

Oak: 100% French oak, 65% new

Aging: 10 months in barrel

Alcohol: 14.7%

Acid: 3.62 pH

Production: 610 cases made

2022: #19 Top 100 Wines, Jeb Dunnuck

2021: 95 pts, Jeb Dunnuck

2020: Not produced due to CA wildfires

2019: 95 pts, Wine Enthusiast

2018: 96 pts, Jeb Dunnuck

2017: 94 pts, Antonio Galloni's Vinous

2016: 94 pts, Jeb Dunnuck