

TECHNICAL DATA

COMPOSITION APPELLATION

VINEYARD

BARREL REGIME

ACIDITY

ALCOHOL. RELEASE DATE 100% PINOT NOIR SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS 86% DOCTOR'S

35% NEW FRENCH OAK, BALANCE NEUTRAL, 14 MONTHS MEDIUM/MEDIUM+ TOAST

14.5%

JANUARY 2023



2021 PINOT NOIR



HAHN'S SLH VINEYARDS

Vineyards planted in the Santa Lucia Highlands experience a long and dry growing season that results in wines with remarkable depth, complexity and ripe fruit flavors. Hahn's SLH vineyards-Lone Oak, Doctor's, Smith and Hookare planted on a narrow bench at elevations ranging from 200 to 1,200 feet above sea level. Here, plentiful sun and well-drained soils aid concentration and flavor development.



Hahn Estate, Santa Lucia Highlands

THE 2021 GROWING SEASON

The winter rainfall was slightly below average, but we were able to compensate with early spring irrigation to fill soil profiles before budbreak. Warm spring temperatures aided vine growth and they were able to reach max canopy height. Summer temperatures heated up and slowed down vine growth as vines transitioned into fruit development. Weather leading into harvest was relatively cool and uneventful, which allowed for gradual ripening of the fruit. It was another remarkable growing season in the Santa Lucia Highlands, resulting in wines with beautiful color, concentrated flavors, great structure and naturally balanced acidity.

WINEMAKING

The 2021 vintage was crafted using small-lot winemaking techniques to capture a true expression of each vineyard block. Only estate vineyard lots with consistent superior characteristics were selected to ensure exceptional quality of this blend. The grapes were harvested during cool mornings, brought to the winery, destemmed into open-top stainless-steel tanks, cold-soaked and fermented on the skins for 10 days. The wine was then pressed off, settled and racked into a selection of small 60-gallon French oak barrels where it was aged for 14 months. When the wine was ready to be blended, our winemaker selected only the finest barrels that exemplify the aromas and flavors of the Santa Lucia Highlands.

SENSORY EVALUATION

Vivid red ruby in the glass, this wine opens with aromas of red fruit, cherry, blackberry and hints of earthiness, delicate toast and vanilla spice. The palate is rich, with refined silky tannins, medium acidity and flavors of cherry, red plums, raspberry and subtle notes of allspice on a long elegant finish.