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Bien Nacido Vineyard

2022 · PINOT NOIR

SANTA MARIA VALLEY
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WINEMAKER	JOEY TENSELY
YIELD	2 TONS PER ACRE
CASES	666
ALCOHOL	14.6%
PH	3.85
TA	6.3 g/L

VINEYARD & TERROIR

FROM THE RENOWNED BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD, A PINOT NOIR CRAFTED FROM BIEN NACIDO'S BLOCKS 1 - Mt EDAN, BLOCK 42 - Mt EDAN, & BLOCK 45 - SWAN, SOUTH-FACING ON ALLUVIAL SOILS. THESE BLOCKS HAVE FULL SUNSHINE FROM THE SOUTH, BUT IT STILL DEFINITELY COOL-CLIMATE TERROIR.

COMPOSITION

100% PINOT NOIR

AGING

AGED 11 MONTHS IN 45% NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS

AROMATICS

THE FOREFRONT IS MARKED BY THE INTRIGUING NOTES OF BROWN SPICE AND SMOKE, WHICH ADD A LAYER OF COMPLEXITY TO THE WINE. DARK CHERRIES THEN STEP IN, BRINGING A LUSCIOUSLY FRUITY AND SLIGHTLY SWEET ELEMENT TO THE BOUQUET. HINTS OF DELICATE ROSE AND A TOUCH OF COLA WEAVE THROUGH THE BACKGROUND, CONTRIBUTING A SUBTLE FLORAL AND HERBAL NUANCE.

PALATE

THE PROMINENT FLAVORS OF DARK CHERRY AND SWEET BING CHERRY TAKE CENTER STAGE, OFFERING A JUICY AND FRUITY EXPERIENCE. AN INTRIGUING PRESENCE OF BROWN SPICE ADDS A SUBTLE LAYER OF COMPLEXITY AND A TOUCH OF WARMTH. TOWARDS THE END, GENTLY WISPS OF SMOKE EMERGE, LEADING A SMOKY NUANCE THAT LINGERS AND DEEPENS THE OVERALL PROFILE.