



# CALERA

## 2019 SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS PINOT NOIR

Perched on the east-facing terraces of the Santa Lucia Mountains, where fog and powerful winds off of Monterey Bay cool the vines and extend the growing season, the Santa Lucia Highlands have emerged as one of California's preeminent regions for Pinot Noir. Crafted using grapes from a small selection of acclaimed vineyards, this limited-production wine displays the silky tannins and alluring layers of ripe cherry and raspberry that have made the Santa Lucia Highlands famous.

### VINTAGE NOTES

After a cool, wet start to the season, summer brought near-perfect weather to the Central Coast, with warm, sunny days and cool nights. This weather continued into autumn, ensuring abundant hangtime. We were able to harvest all of our vineyards exactly when we wished, resulting in vibrant white wines with lovely tension and depth, and beautifully aromatic reds with age-worthy structures, dynamic fresh-fruit flavors and elegant underlying complexity.

### WINEMAKING NOTES

This alluring expression of Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir displays lavish aromas of brambly blackberry and cherry cola. The voluptuous dark berry and black cherry notes are echoed on the lush, mouthcoating palate, where they mingle with flavors of black raspberry, cedar and white pepper, with a streak of underlying acidity adding verve and freshness to a long, resonant finish.

### WINEMAKING

APPELLATION Central Coast

SUB-APPELLATION Santa Lucia Highlands

VARIETAL COMPOSITION 100% Pinot Noir

OAK PROFILE & AGING Aged 15 months in 100% French oak, 30% new

ALCOHOL 14.5%

PH 3.64

ACIDITY 0.59 g/100 ml



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