MIGRATION *

2018 SANTA RITA HILLS PINOT NOIR DRUM CANYON VINEYARD

Highlighting lush, layered flavors, bright acidity and impeccably balanced French oak, Migration is dedicated to crafting wines from the finest cool-climate winegrowing regions. Planted in 2003, and farmed by the Dierberg family, Drum Canyon Vineyard is located on the eastern edge of the famed Sta. Rita Hills winegrowing region, where cool, coastal breezes help to produce a beautifully structured Pinot Noir, with velvety tannins and pure notes of pomegranate, dark cherry and clove.

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2018 growing season in Santa Barbara County provided a summer that alternated between mild and warm, with a cool autumn that allowed the grapes to remain on the vine until they reached ideal ripeness. While the quality of the grapes was phenomenal, our overall yields for Chardonnay and Pinot Noir were down due to the extremely small size of the clusters and berries. The majority of our fruit was harvested in late September, yielding wines with beautifully balanced acidity, exceptional weight and texture, and complex varietal flavors. Overall, it was a fantastic harvest and an absolutely stellar vintage.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Shaped by cooling winds off the Pacific Ocean, Drum Canyon has produced a rich and dramatic Pinot Noir with lush layers of blueberry, boysenberry and cassis. On the palate, a supple texture and bright, balanced acidity frame the dark berry flavors, with hints of wild sage and sweet vanilla adding complexity to the long, satisfying finish.

WINEMAKING

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appellation	Santa Maria Valley		Trum Canyon Vineyard
vineyard	Drum Canyon Vineyard		
varietal composition	100% Pinot Noir	alcohol	14.1%
oak profile & aging	Aged 10 months in 100% French oak 38% new	pН	3.36
key coopers	Cadus, D&J Selection 4, François Frères, Rousseau	acidity	0.63g/100ml
selection	10 barrel selection	fermentation	5 day cold soak, small batch open top fermentations, 3-6 ton fermentations, daily punch downs
soils	sandy loam		
clones	Swan, 115		
rootstock	varies		

