



## 2022 ENVISION PINOT NOIR

Appellation	Sta. Rita Hills
T.A.	6.8 g/l
pH	3.8
Alcohol	13.5%
Production	118 cases

## VINEYARDS

*80% Rio Vista, 20% Radian*

Sta. Rita Hills is home to some of the planet's finest Pinot Noir vineyards. The Pinot Noir grape excels at expressing its natural environment, making each vineyard distinctive in its own way. Envision gives life to the special sense of place that is the Sta. Rita Hills by bringing together the vineyards that best reflect this marine-swept appellation. Ken curates the best lots into an exceptional blend, representing a unique sensory image of Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir.

## VINTAGE

The 2022 harvest was tracking to be a little later than usual due to cool summer weather, but Labor Day weekend brought a significant heat bump which accelerated the pace. Berry size was smaller than average, which resulted in smaller yields across the appellation this year. Rio Vista Vineyard Block 8B was harvested on September 3<sup>rd</sup>. Radian Block 41 was picked six days later.

## WINEMAKING

Pinot Noir clusters for this wine were hand sorted before being de-stemmed and gravity fed to fermenters. The must was immediately chilled for a pre-fermentation cold soak where the most beneficial extraction of color, aroma and flavor occurs. During fermentation, concentration was enhanced by gently punching down the cap several times per day. The wine aged on its lees for 9 months in 20% new French oak barrels and was bottled unfinned on August 16<sup>th</sup>, 2022.

## TASTING NOTES

Our 2022 Envision showcases the very best qualities of Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir. It is fruit-forward and complex, well-balanced and, above all, delicious. Aromas of red cherries and subtle earth tones lead into a pallet rich with notes of strawberries and baking spices. All of this is supported by bright acidity and smooth, supple tannins. Pair this wine with Peking duck or some cedar-grilled salmon, or lay it down for a few years to let the spicy notes come to the foreground.