

BIEN NACIDO ESTATE

2011 SYRAH, BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD



STATISTICS

Composition	97% Syrah, and 3% Viognier Clones: Estrella
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Vineyard Site	Bien Nacido Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley, Santa Barbara County. 700 ft elevation, this Syrah faces directly west with a view of the whole Santa Maria Valley and the Pacific Ocean past it.
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Soils	Los Osos clay loam and Franciscan shale, over marine volcanics
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Vine Age	Planted in 1995
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Yield	2.2 tons per acre
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Alcohol	13.7%
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Case Production	198
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WINEMAKER NOTES

Hand harvested at night, and fermented with native yeast and malolactic fermentations. Then aged for 22 months in French oak; 25% new. This wine was bottled unfiltered.

Exotic aromatics of white pepper, dark fruit, tar, and violets. A cool toned entry on the dark fruit driven palate yields to firm tannins that work nicely with the ample acid through the finish.