

# BIEN NACIDO ESTATE

## 2012 SYRAH, BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD



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| <b>Composition</b> | 97% Syrah, and 3% Viognier<br>Clones: Estrella |
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| <b>Vineyard Site</b> | 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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| <b>Soils</b> | Los Osos clay loam and Franciscan shale, over marine volcanics |
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| <b>Vine Age</b> | Planted in 1995 |
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| <b>Yield</b> | 2.8 tons per acre |
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| <b>Alcohol</b> | 14.2% |
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| <b>Case Production</b> | 215 |
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### WINEMAKER NOTES

Hand harvested at night, and fermented with native yeast, and malolactic fermentations. Aged for 16 months in French oak; 33% new. This wine was bottled unfiltered.

Exotic aromatics of white pepper, tapenade, 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.

### ACCOLADES

**96 POINTS** – Antonio Galloni