

# BIEN NACIDO & SOLOMON HILLS

- ESTATE WINES -



## 2018 ESTATE SYRAH

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CLONE		ESTRELLA
COMPOSITION		99% SYRAH 1% VIOGNIER
VINE AGE		PLANTED IN 1995
YIELD		1.7 TONS PER ACRE
CASES		659
ALCOHOL		13.1%

## VINEYARD SITE

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ESTATE		BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD
APPELLATION		SANTA MARIA VALLEY
COUNTY		SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
VYD AREA		700 FT. ELEVATION. VINES FACE DIRECTLY WEST 16 MILES FROM THE PACIFIC OCEAN.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

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Hand harvested at night, and fermented with native yeast and malolactic fermentations. Aged 16 months in French oak; 25% new. This wine was bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

“Pink peppercorns and violet flowers sprinkled over summer rain moistened soils.” It is almost poetic what this wine can say. A true Midsummer Night’s Dream, the liveliness of the fruit is faultless. Crunchy blueberry, lingonberry and spicy black currants. You can expect olive brine and roasted meats to evolve with 5-8 years in bottle, but the youth and vigor of this Syrah will stick around for a while.

## SOILS

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Los Osos clay loam and Franciscan shale over marine volcanics

## ACCOLADES

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**95** Points - *Tasting Panel Magazine*

**94** Points - *Vinous*

**93** Points - *Wine Enthusiast*

**92+** Points - *Jeb Dunnuck*

“Bien Nacido & Solomon Hills have been considered Grand Crus of the California. Of course, those closest to the land, the owners, have the choicest selection of fruit and awareness to showcase the best of that fruit under their estate label.”