

BIEN NACIDO

ESTATE

2020 ESTATE CHARDONNAY



VARIETAL		100% CHARDONNAY
CLONE		SELECTION 4
BLOCK		BLOCKS I & W
VINE AGE		PLANTED IN 1973
YIELD		1.46 TONS PER ACRE
CASES		638 (SIX PACKS)
ALCOHOL		13.5%
pH		3.24
TA		6.8 g/L

VINEYARD SITE

ESTATE		BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD
APPELLATION		SANTA MARIA VALLEY
COUNTY		SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
VYD AREA		600-900 FT. ELEVATION. 16 MILES FROM THE PACIFIC OCEAN.
SOILS		ELDER AND CHAMISE SHALY LOAMS WITH PLESANTON SANDY LOAM. THE VINEYARD HAS A GREAT DIVERSITY OF SOILS CONTAINING LIMESTONE, SHALE, UPLIFTED MARINE VOLCANICS AND LOAM.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Hand-harvested at night and whole-cluster pressed. This wine was then barrel fermented using native yeast and malolactic fermentation. Aging was sur lie for 16 months in French oak; 45% new. This wine was bottled unfinned and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

Classically Bien Nacido, which is to say sun kissed with a cool ocean breeze. Perfectly ripened banana with a hint of fresh-baked rolls. A sweet and savory note comes through with Marcona almonds and sea salt. There is a richness and viscosity which ties it all together. We expect this wine will age gracefully for ten years and beyond.

“One of the oldest vineyards in Santa Barbara County, Bien Nacido takes its influence from its rocky soils and steep, windswept hillsides...resulting in a refined complexity that only time and maturity can produce”

- Anthony Avila, Winemaker

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