



BIEN NACIDO

E S T A T E

2022 THE CAPTAIN PINOT NOIR



VARIETAL		100% PINOT NOIR
CLONES		POMMARD, SWAN, CALERA AND 828
BLOCK		BLOCK 40
VINE AGE		PLANTED IN 2006
YIELD		1.44 TONS PER ACRE
CASES		232 (SIX PACK)
ALCOHOL		13.5%
pH		3.68
TA		5.3 g/L

VINEYARD SITE

ESTATE		BIEN NACIDO VINEYARD
APPELLATION		SANTA MARIA VALLEY
COUNTY		SANTA BARBARA COUNTY
VYD AREA		1100 FT. ELEVATION. 16 MILES FROM THE PACIFIC OCEAN.
SOILS		ELDER, AND CHAMISE SHALY LOAMS WITH PLEASANTON SANDY LOAM. THE VINEYARD HAS A GREAT DIVERSITY OF SOIL CONTAINING LOAM, SHALES, UPLIFTED MARINE VOLCANICS, AND LIMESTONE.

WINEMAKER NOTES

Hand-harvested at night and fermented with native yeast and malolactic fermentation. Aged 16 months in French oak; 50% new. This wine was bottled unfiltered and unfiltered.

TASTING NOTES

Driven by the limestone soils showcasing all the power of the highest block at Bien Nacido, The Captain is as polished as it can get. Exotic spices, cherry cola, candied orange peel and fruit roll up combine to form the nose of this wine. The characteristically firm structure of the hillside Pinot Noir planting is softened here by the warm harvest temperatures of the 2022 vintage. Currently showing upfront complexity and density that are just starting to unwind. That youthful energy will allow this wine to age well until at least 2030.

“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