



NIELSON

Santa Maria Valley Pinot Noir SANTA MARIA VALLEY

Our namesake, Uriel J. Nielson, planted Santa Barbara's first commercial vineyard in 1964 when his critics thought the region was too cold to deliver world class wines. At Nielson, we pay homage to that pioneering spirit, producing Pinot Noir and Chardonnay from some of the area's most celebrated vineyards. Our east-west valleys, marine soils, morning fog and seaside sunsets make Santa Barbara the perfect setting for uncommon wines of stunning minerality, acidity and balance.

TASTING NOTES

The nose features aromas of dark cherry, cinnamon, clove, and star anise, with subtle hints of rose petal and smoke. Tannins are rich and silky, with a bright note of smoke and dark cherry on the finish.

VARIETAL

100% Pinot Noir

APPELLATION

100% Santa Maria Valley AVA
Vineyards: 90% Nielson and small amounts of other neighbors

AGING

Open top stainless steel with daily pump overs, 13 days on the skins, 10% whole cluster. 11 months in barrel (25% new)

ALCOHOL

13.6%

TA

.55 g/100ml

PH

3.64



SOURCING REGIONS ■ SANTA MARIA VALLEY

SENSORY PROFILES	SANTA MARIA VALLEY AVA (EST. 1981)
AROMAS/FLAVORS	Red fruits, earthy, baking spice
TEXTURAL/STUCTURAL	Fine tannins
CLIMATE	Cool and dry; thick fog and intense winds
SOIL TYPE	Marine soils; shale, sandstone, clay loam

PIONEERING SINCE 1964