

Siduri, named for the Babylonian goddess of wine, specializes in coolclimate Pinot Noir from growing regions across California and Oregon. Our winemakers' constant pursuit of Pinot perfection has led to long-standing relationships with top growers in premier appellations from Oregon's Willamette Valley to California's Santa Barbara County.



## 2023 PINOT NOIR SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS

The Santa Lucia Highlands has often been referred to as the "Spiritual Home of Siduri" - meaning that while the winery is located in Sonoma County, some of our longest standing relationships in vineyards - and some of our best wines - are located on this narrow stretch of benchland overlooking the bountiful Salinas Valley. Vineyards like Rosella's, located in the "sweet-spot" in the middle of the cooler part of the AVA contributes freshness and vibrant acid, while vineyards like Garys' contribute dark fruit and structure. Soberanes, Sierra Mar and Kitewinder round out the blend with their own personalities, creating a wine that is truly representative of this incredible place to grow Pinot Noir.

APPELLATION: Santa Lucia Highlands

AROMATICS: Raspberry, turned earth, allspice

PALATE: Black plum, blueberry, almond

ALCOHOL: 14.5% | TA: 5.2 | pH: 3.6 AGING: 10 months, 25% new French oak CLONES:115, 667, 777, 828, Pommard

## VINTAGE NOTES

The Santa Lucia Highlands is usually cool and windy – and 2023 was the coolest we've seen for a long while. The Winter and Spring provided more rain than SLH has seen for well over two decades, delaying bud break by an entire month. Thus, the vines tracked later the entire season and harvest was three to four weeks later than average, with harvest beginning in October. The signature of 2023 is impeccable balance. Bright flavors, soft tannins, fresh acid and loads of personality derived from their place of origins. After a warm 2022 vintage, the 2023 wines are a textbook counterpoint that is representative of a long, cool season. The vintage was certainly a test of patience, but our team is thrilled with the quality of the 2023 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noirs!

