

ESTATE PINOT NOIR

STA. RITA HILLS — 2020

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*The Estate wines are defined by the fruit and flavors of our little southwestern corner of the Sta. Rita Hills. They speak of the nuances and complexities of our properties as a whole. These wines take into account the many aspects, clones, soil types and other properties of our estate. They give us the maximum amount of blending components and, represent the most complete wines in our portfolio.*

## **Matt Dees, Winemaker Notes:**

A joyous version of The Hilt Estate Pinot Noir. Expressive red fruit and cooling herbs. Plush attack with mineral-laden character. Cherry, hibiscus, cranberry and blood orange. Pine forest and chanterelle. Brilliantly fresh with a lovely balance between savory herbal notes and hedonistic red fruit. Vibrant acidity. Dried strawberry and cocoa powder. Succulent and delicious offering today. Persistent with such lovely and expansive depth. Highlights the ripe fruit of the vintage balanced alongside the charms of the cool climate of our wind-blown, ocean-influenced vineyards.

## **Estate Pinot Noir**

CASES: 3,912  
APPELLATION: Sta. Rita Hills  
ALCOHOL: 13.0%  
BARRELS: 10% new French oak,  
90% neutral barrels  
11 months

## **92 Points**

Antonio Galloni  
*Vinous*  
June 2022

## **93 Points**

Jeb Dunnuck  
*Jebdunnuck.com*  
Aug. 2022

