

2017 KOSTA BROWNE STA. RITA HILLS PINOT NOIR



Composition: 100% Pinot Noir

Alcohol: 13.5%

PH: 3.67

TA: 5.66g/L

SRP: \$100-120

Winemaker Notes: Sta. Rita Hills is a microclimate that began 20 million years ago. Tectonic plate movements over the years caused mountains to rise out of the ocean, break on the plate and rotate clockwise creating one of the most defined transverse ranges on the Pacific Coast. Remnants of marine sediment deposited during the Miocene Epoch is the base of the soil found here. What makes this area truly unique is the purely East/West maritime mouth that funnels cooling coastal fog and wind to the vines. One of the smaller AVAs in California, Sta. Rita Hills is one of the world's best cool-climate growing regions of Pinot Noir.

Vineyards: John Sebastiano Vineyard, Bentrack, Radian, Francesca, Hilliard Bruce, and Mt. Carmel

Fermentation: 1.5-ton open top tanks / 5-8 ton open top stainless steel tanks / 14% whole cluster

Age: 37% New French Oak for 15 months

