

## 2015 PINOT NOIR SBC



## WINEMAKER: LANE TANNER

100 % Pinot Noir Sierra Madre Vineyard (61%) Santa Maria Valley (39%) Santa Maria Valley AVA

Clones: 777, 667, and 5 Harvest: Aug 7 - Sep 3 avg sugar at Harvest: 22.8 brix

OPEN-TOP FERMENTATION NO STEM INCLUSION PUNCHED DOWN BY HAND 100 % MALOLACTIC 8% NEW/92% NEUTRAL FRENCH/HUNGARIAN OAK UNFINED AND LOOSELY FILTERED

BOTTLED: AUGUST 2, 2016 Alcohol: 13.5%

TASTING NOTES: Wonderfully vibrant and energetic, with penetrating raspberry and rose petal on the nose, followed by undulating flavors of strawberry, thyme and sandalwood on the palate - all wrapped in a firm yet velvety texture. Long, vibrant finish with lingering fruit and minerality, accented by cardamom and anise notes. Well-matched with any wild game, salmon or bird dish, with power enough to cut through any hot curry or Sechuan fare. 1300 cases produced. Drink now through 2030.

## **93 POINTS, EDITOR'S CHOICE** The Wine Enthusiast (2014 vintage)