



PEAKE RANCH

## 2018 STA. RITA HILLS PINOT NOIR

**Retail Price:** \$40.00

**Alcohol %:** 14.5

**Varietal:** Pinot Noir

**Region:** Santa Barbara County

**Appellation:** Santa Rita Hills

**Vineyard:** Peake Ranch & John Sebastiano

**Clones:** 667, 115, Calera, Hyde, Pommard, 777

**pH:** 3.67

**Malo:** 100% Malolactic Fermentation

**Oak Regime:** 100 % French Oak 40% New

**Tasting Notes:** A compelling example of what can be achieved with Pinot Noir from Santa Rita Hills, this wine captures the natural balance and complexity of this special appellation. The aromas blend bright cherries and blueberries with a subtle and distinguished earthiness expressed as dried oregano, white pepper and black tea. An engaging, seductive texture is supported with a backbone of French oak and finely-grained tannins.



### **94+ points Jeb Dunnuck:**

"Moving to the Pinot Noirs, the 2018 Pinot Noir Sta. Rita Hills is 100% Pinot Noir from the Peake Ranch and John Sebastiano vineyards and was all destemmed and aged 18 months in 40% new French oak. Tart Bing cherries, raspberries, forest floor, and sappy flower and violet notes all define this beauty. It has a clean, focused, yet concentrated style that will benefit from a year in bottle." -Jeb Dunnuck

### **92 points Vinous:**

"The 2018 Pinot Noir (Sta. Rita Hills) is another impressive appellation-level wine in this range. Medium in body and delicate, with gorgeous aromatic presence, the 2018 hits all the right notes. A burst of rose petal, lavender and sweet red cherry fruit infuses the finish."

-Antonio Galloni