

Kosta Browne Sta. Rita Hills Pinot Noir

COUNTRY

United States

REGION

California

GRAPE

Pinot Noir

VINTAGE

2020

ABOUT THE DOMAINE

Founders Dan Kosta and Michael Browne started out with humble beginnings while working together in a local restaurant in 1997. Full of passion, Michael developed relationships with key growers in Northern California, while Dan along with the help of a third partner, Chris Costello, worked to market and sell the wines. Kosta Browne has a commitment to embrace innovation, and to push boundaries. The winery use unconventional approaches in the cellar to make irresistible wines with a sense of place.

WINEMAKING

A microclimate that began 20 million years ago is nothing short of a miracle. Over the years, tectonic plate movements caused mountains to rise out of the ocean, break off the plate, and rotate clockwise, creating one of the most defined, transverse ranges on the Pacific Coast. This distinctive feature of the purely East/West maritime mouth funnels cooling coastal fog and wind to the vines. Sta. Rita Hills is one of the world's best cool-climate growing regions of Pinot Noir. Fermented in 62% stainless steel, 20% concrete, 18% wood and 3% whole cluster. This wine has been aged in 47% new French oak for 15 months, 6% new Austrian oak for 15 months, 4% wood cask for 14 months.



TASTING NOTES

Bursting with vibrant red fruit, baking spice, and an earthy core, this fascinatingly layered wine is delightfully unique. An explosion of red fruit with an understated yet elegant savoury quality. Nostalgic notes of cinnamon stick and clove mesmerize. Deeply rich with an earthy core and copious amounts of fruit. Refreshingly light on the palate with well-integrated tannins and unique flair.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Alcohol by volume

14.1%

pH

3.64

Acidity

5.8 g/L