

KOSTA BROWNE SINGLE VINEYARD SERIES

2020 Rita's Crown Pinot Noir

Soaring Elevations and Distinctive Aromatics

Among Pinot aficionados, Rita's Crown is quickly gaining acclaim as one of the most impressive vineyards in the Sta. Rita Hills. Planted in 2007 and observed as the highest vineyard site of the appellation, Rita's Crown is predominantly south-facing and boasts intensely high elevation and slope, allowing the vines to receive a tremendous amount of sunshine and coastal wind. Additionally, the steep, hillside vineyard was planted using high-density spacing and is organically farmed. This, combined with the region's typical diatomaceous earth, adds distinct intensity to the fruit.

The Rita's Crown Pinot Noir is a beautifully dark and alluring wine that draws you in with aromas of brandied Morello cherry and wildflowers. On the palate, supple, fine-grained tannins and zesty acidity add poise and purity to the ripe red and black fruit, with tantalizing hints of violet, adding to a long, mesmerizing finish

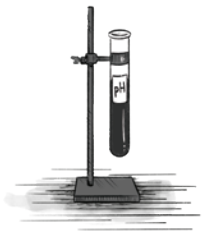
Fact of Note: The majority of this blend is from the 828 clone.



30% concrete
fermentation



41% new French
oak



PH 3.42

VINEYARD DETAILS

VINEYARD Rita's Crown, Sta. Rita Hills AVA

CLONES 828, 667

ORIENTATION North / East

TRELLISING VSP

SOIL Sandy/clay loams and diatomaceous earth

TECHNICAL DETAILS

FERMENTATION 70% wood, 30% concrete

ÉLEVAGE 41% new French oak for 16 months, 20% wood cask for 16 months, 10% new Austrian oak for 16 months, prior to bottling aged 100% stainless steel for one month

ALCOHOL 13.5%

pH 3.42

TA 6.19 g/L

TASTING NOTES

NOSE Cherry and floral notes open to stunning red and black fruit with hints of pluot, black currant, and baking spices.

MOUTH Deeply dark and alluring with elongated fine-grained tannins. Tantalizing violet notes deliver an extraordinarily long and worthwhile finish.