

TOLOSA



ABOUT TOLOSA

Cowboy dreams of owning a cattle ranch brought Vintner Robin Baggett to Edna Valley. The cold Pacific wind that sweeps down the coast into the transverse valley and a myriad of soils derived from an ancient seabed made him realize he was on a frontier of a different sort. Tolosa is the expression of his commitment to spare no effort to craft nuanced and balanced Pinot Noir and Chardonnay of distinctive character to rival any in the world.

1772 PINOT NOIR 2019

Edna Valley

VINTAGE NOTES

The 2019 harvest was the latest harvest I have seen since I began my career at Tolosa, and it unfolded really well. The steady, mild weather was perfect. We never had to rush any picking decisions due to how good it was. We began our picking schedule on 9/9 and ended on 9/25. The 1772 Pinot Noir is our signature Pinot and captures what Edna Valley is on any given vintage. The elegance and freshness of the cooler 2019 year will show more earthy tones.

VINEYARD SOURCES

This attractive Pinot Noir portrays three different vineyard blocks from Tolosa's estate vineyard, Edna Ranch: Monighetti (47%), Stornetta (35%) and Hollister (18%). The clonal composition is also diverse: Pommard (35%), 667 (24%), 115 (11%) and HMR (7%). This is a nice selection of strong clones that will bring a complexity in the fruit and a solid structure to this wine.

WINEMAKING

The fruit was picked at night, destemmed, and sorted with our optical sorter. It is fermented in our stainless steel open top tanks. We inoculate the yeast and use three different strains to change the profile of the lots. Extraction is then done with pump overs twice daily. This wine is then aged for 9 months in 100% French oak barrels, 24% of them being new.

Visual Garnett, blush

Nose White Pepper, cured meat, juicy cherry with rose pedals and cedar.

Palate Smooth and juicy with a medium to light body, pomegrate juice and herbal

notes. Really long with lingering hay and cedar notes, rasberry.