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Bien Nacido Vineyard

2019 CHARDONNAY • BLOCK Nº 11

SANTA MARIA VALLEY
SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

WINEMAKER	JOEY TENSELY
BLOCK	11
VINE AGE	PLANTED IN 1973
YIELD	1.8 TONS PER ACRE
CASES	112
ALCOHOL	13.3%
PH	3.35
TA	7.2 g/L

VINEYARD & TERROIR

ON THE BENCH WITH COASTAL WINDS CONSISTENTLY BLOWING OVER THE BLOCK. BEING ON THE FLOOD PLAIN OF THE SANTA MARIA AND SISQUOC RIVERS, SOILS ARE MODERATELY DEEP CLAY AND GRAVEL. A LATE RIPENING BLOCK THAT MAKES FIRM, LINEAR WINES.

COMPOSITION

100% CHARDONNAY CLONE 4

AGING

AGED 10 MONTHS IN 40% NEW FRENCH OAK BARRELS

AROMATICS

AROMAS OF RICH, TOASTED CRÈME BRÛLÉE ARE FOLLOWED BY A FRUITY INDULGENCE OF GREEN APPLE, HONEYDEW MELON, AND LEMON.

PALATE

CRISP, VIBRANT AND IMMERSSED IN FLAVORS OF MANDARIN, LIME, GRAPEFRUIT, AND CACTUS PEAR, WITH HINTS OF BAKING SPICE. A SUBTLE ESSENCE OF OAK TOASTINESS AND A BEAUTIFULLY SALINE FINISH.