

ESTRELLA

2016 ESTRELLA

The Estrella clone represents the most significant Syrah clone found on California’s central coast. First planted on our estate in 1978, as the Black Bear Block, Estrella has become known as the signature Syrah clone of our vineyard. To honor the several generations of Estrella plantings on our estate ranging from 1978 to 2012, our winemaking team created this very special single clone Syrah.

Our 2016 Estrella shows lively aromatics of dark berries, wild herbs, pressed violets, leather, and cedar. Broad waves of black fruit greet the palate, with secondary depth of black tea & allspice, dark florals, and stony-earth, spread with beautiful elegance along a wide structure before finishing with polished tannins and excellent length. This is a warm and welcoming wine with great charm and depth, indicative of the 2016 vintage, but with additional volume and complexity to be revealed over many years. Ideal for cellaring, but approachable with a long decant.



APPELLATION

Santa Ynez Valley

COMPOSITION

100% Syrah, Estrella Clone

AGING

21 months in neutral French oak

VINEYARDS

Blocks | Mesa A, C3 & C4

ALCOHOL

14.5%

PRODUCTION

204 cases

WINEMAKING AND VINEYARD TEAM

Eric, Kristin, Agustin, Ruben, José, Angel, Randy & Ramirez

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