

# 2019 Wrath Pinot Noir, Cortada Alta Santa Lucia Highlands



**Tasting Notes:** Wrath's newest vineyard offering, Cortada Alta is the highest vineyard in the Santa Lucia Highlands. At 1,400 feet, the vines sit above the fog in a notch between granite outcroppings that collected rich loam soil. Both Mariafeld and Wadenswill pinot clones came to California from Switzerland in the 1950s. Mariafeld has a unique flavor and higher acidity than other pinots. Wadenswill is prized for its aromatics and ability to grow and ripen in a cold climate. This wine exhibits alluring depth and richness. A fruit forward nose offers an intriguing combination of Ranier cherry and boysenberry with undertones of thyme. The palate is seamless yet complex with a compelling mélange of red fruit, ripe tannins and bright acidity.

#### **Technical Data:**

Composition	100% Pinot Noir
Vineyard	Cortada Alta
AVA	Santa Lucia Highlands
Clones	50% Mariafeld, 50% Wadenswill
Oak	French oak, 20% new
Alc.	14.3%
Cases produced	166

#### **Accolades:**

2019 91pts Wine Enthusiast