

2021 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 black cherry and boysenberry with undertones of herbs. The palate is seamless yet complex with a compelling mélange of red fruit, bright acidity and tannins that give this wine more of a European style.

Technical Data:

Composition	100% Pinot Noir
Vineyard	Cortada Alta
AVA	Santa Lucia Highlands
Clones	60% Mariafeld, 40% Wadenswill
Oak	French oak, 30% new
Alc.	14.3%
Cases produced	140

Accolades:

2021	95pts Vinous
2020	not produced
2019	91pts Wine Enthusiast