

# BYRON

## LA ENCANTADA

2015 *PINOT NOIR*

### WINERY DESCRIPTION

A good share of Byron winemaking takes place in the vineyard, where winemaker Jonathan Nagy selects individual rows and blocks for their potential to express both variety and site—focusing particularly on clones that best exemplify Byron’s balanced, textural and site-expressive style.

Byron’s site-specific Pinot Noirs are deeply rooted in the vineyards of Santa Barbara County’s two defining appellations: Santa Maria Valley and Sta. Rita Hills. The wines explore each vineyard’s block and row distinctions defined by soil, microclimate, fog cover, wind, exposure, elevation, clonal selection and farming techniques.

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La Encantada is our westernmost vineyard site in the Sta. Rita Hills. Prior to fermentation, we de-stem all of the clusters from this vineyard to preserve the expressive aromatics and juicy textural elements that are signatures of this organically farmed site. Our La Encantada Pinot Noir has lush aromas of ripe black berries, violets, and a hint of spice. It is a hedonistic and powerful wine suited which benefitted from aging in new Francois Freres barrels.

### THE WINE

APPELLATION	STA. RITA HILLS
VARIETAL COMPOSITION	100% PINOT NOIR
BARREL REGIME	15 MONTHS AGING; 100% FRENCH OAK, 55% NEW
CASES PRODUCED (9L)	225
ALCOHOL	13.2%
TA	5.0g/L
PH	3.75

### THE VINEYARD

CLIMATE	COOL, MARINE INFLUENCE
SOIL TYPE	MIX OF CLAY, SANDY-LOAM AND SHALY-LOAM
DISTANCE FROM PACIFIC OCEAN	7 MILES
ELEVATION	430-450 FEET ABOVE SEA LEVEL
YEAR PLANTED	2000
CLONES	777
ASPECT	NORTH FACING
SUSTAINABLE	SIP CERTIFIED

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