



2018 Vocal Vineyards 'Bates Ranch' Cabernet Sauvignon Santa Cruz Mountains

APPELLATION:

Santa Cruz Mountains

VARIETAL:

Cabernet Sauvignon

VINEYARD:

Bates Ranch

WINEMAKERS:

Ian Brand

ORDERING INFO:

1050421 | \$79.95

DESCRIPTION:

Cabernet Sauvignon is legendary in the Santa Cruz Mountains, The Montebello Ridge is home to some of the most sought-after vines in all the new world, and the ridges planted by Paul Masson in the early 1900s produced California's first cult wines. Forty miles south, tucked into the redwoods and live oak savannahs on the back side of Mount Madonna and cooled by the breezes off the Monterey Bay that come over Hecker Pass, Bates Ranch first came to quiet prominence in the bottlings of Santa Cruz Mountain Vineyards and Ahlgren Vineyards.

Vocal was lucky enough to be offered an allocation of hillside rows of Cabernet Sauvignon off the original dry farmed, own-rooted 1969 planting on the Ranch. The wine is spicy and rich and displays the chiseled elegance of old vine Cabernet refined in French Barrel





2020 Alfaro 'Estate A' Chardonnay Santa Cruz Mountains

APPELLATION:

Santa Cruz Mountains

VARIETAL:

100% Chardonnay

VINEYARD:

Ryan Spencer, Lindsay Paige, Mary Katherine & Trout Gulch

WINEMAKERS:

Richard Alfaro

AGING:

8 Months French Oak; 20% New

ULTIMATE FOOD PAIRING:

Fish, Shellfish, Poultry, Dishes With Cream Sauces

ORDERING INFO:

1050593 | \$24.95

DESCRIPTION:

The grapes were whole cluster pressed directly into French oak barrels and stainless steel tanks for fermentation. Each batch, from that point on, was treated individually. Using a variety of cultured and indigenous yeasts the wines were fermented to dryness. After fermentation the tank-fermented wine was put into barrels. The barrels were then topped up and aged on their lees. During the aging process they were occasionally stirred and underwent complete malolactic fermentation. After 8 months of barrel age, the wines were racked, blended, settled and then bottled by gravity without fining.

Light straw in color. The intense flavors of pear, apple and white peach are followed by a hint of lemon curd and honeyed oak





2021 Martin Ray Santa Cruz Mountains Pinot Noir

APPELLATION:

Santa Cruz Mountains

VARIETAL:

100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARD:

Coast Grade & Black Ridge Vineyards

WINEMAKERS:

Leslie Renaud

AGING:

12 Months, French Oak; 30% New

ORDERING INFO:

1050550 | \$54.95

DESCRIPTION:

Located in the high stony slopes on the coastal and eastern side of the Santa Cruz Mountains. Morning and evening fog and near perfect conditions results in optimum ripeness while maintaining balanced acidity. The culmination of factors from another drought year in California surprised us with a beautiful vintage. An unseasonably dry and mild winter, which led to an early spring, forced the vines into bud break during peak frost season. A relatively warm, but even summer, resulted in early harvest.

Juicy notes of black cherry, and Satsuma plum, with touches of cedar and spearmint. Fleshy, with deep red fruit, and fragrant fresh mace, flanked by fresh acidity, round mouthfeel, and earthy undertones.

