Donnachadh Family Wines Pinot Noir Sta Rita Hills

The Facts

COUNTRY: USA - CA
REGION: Santa Barbara County
APPELLATION: Sta. Rita Hills
CEPAGE: 100% Pinot Noir
AGING: 10 months in roughly 8% new French oak

The Story

Family owned and organically farmed Donnachadh (Donna-ka) Vineyard is situated on Santa Rosa Road in the famed Sta. Rita Hills. It's also the culmination of a dream for owners Laurie and Drew Duncan. After an expansive search they found 285 acre gem in 2013, and planted 40 acres of Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Syrah with some Gamay & Grenache.

PHILOSOPHY: We strive to make wines that express the beauty of this amazing place. We are inspired by the wines of Burgundy and the Northern Rhone, but want to make wines that recognize the uniqueness of this site. Our operation is super small, which allows us to focus, use our hands, embrace natural yeast and respect the fruit.

The Adjectives

OVERALL: Fresh and focused
AROMAS / FLAVORS: Framboise, sassafras, rose, herbs
MOUTHFEEL: Medium-bodied

The Selling Points

AWARDS: 92pts Vinepair, 90pts Jeb Dunnuck
PAIRINGS: Pairs easily with meat, fish, or veggies

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