

Presqu'ile Estate Pinot Noir

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: USA - CA

REGION: Santa Barbara County

APPELLATION: Santa Maria Valley

CEPAGE: 100% Pinot Noir

WINEMAKING: Native yeast fermentation. Aged 11 months in 15% new French oak, then 6 months in stainless steel for lift and clarity.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 13.4%

THE STORY

Presqu'ile is a family-owned winery located in Santa Barbara County's Santa Maria Valley, producing small-lot wines from one of California's premier cool-climate regions. Our wholesale portfolio includes Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Syrah, Gamay, Rosé, and Aligoté.

PHILOSOPHY: Precision farming and minimalist winemaking define our style. We rely on native fermentations, whole-cluster inclusion, and restrained oak to preserve transparency. Each wine reflects the nuance of its site and the energy of the vintage.

BIOGRAPHY: Founded by the Murphy family, Presqu'ile is led by second-generation vintner Matt Murphy. Winemaker Dieter Cronje oversees production with consulting winemaker Jeremy Seysses of Domaine Dujac, bringing a shared commitment to elegance, structure, and site expression.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Lifted, savory Pinot with California soul

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Red cherry, dried rose, forest floor, citrus peel, and subtle spice

MOUTHFEEL: Silky, bright, and layered with tension

THE SELLING POINTS

European spirit meets coastal precision

AWARDS: 94pts Jeb Dunnock

SUSTAINABILITY: Green Practicing, Sustainable In Practice, Minimal Intervention / Augmentation, Natural Fermentation

PAIRINGS: Great with earthy dishes, herbal brightness, or spice—especially duck confit

