



2013 PINOT NOIR SANTA LUCIA HIGHLANDS

Santa Lucia Highlands Appellation



WINEMAKER NOTES

Deep red color. Tightly woven nose, yet releases hints of pomegranate, orange blossoms, red cherry, and vanilla bean. Flavors of cherry, pomegranate, and citrus persist deep into the palate. Very expansive mouth-feel with vibrant acidity and lush tannins. The wine finishes with a firm ending but should soften and lengthen over the coming years. Drink now through 2019.

~Bill Brosseau, Winemaker

APPELLATION

Working closely with the top vineyards in the Santa Lucia Highlands' appellation, Testarossa has produced yet another distinctive vintage of this highly anticipated Pinot Noir. The Highlands is one of the state's best known regions for world-class Chardonnay and Pinot Noir. The area's close proximity to Monterey Bay makes for a very cool climate, with one of California's longest growing seasons. The resulting slow, gentle ripening allows for full flavor development on the vine. Testarossa's production team's partnership with the best estates in the Santa Lucia Highlands ensure only the highest quality fruit makes it to the winery.

ACCOLADES

2013 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir
91 Points *Pinot Report*

2012 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir
90 Points *International Wine Review*

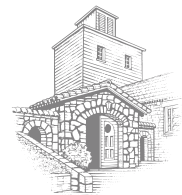
2011 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir
91 Points *Galloni*

2010 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir
91 Points *Connoisseurs' Guide*

2009 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir
90 Points *Wine Enthusiast*

WINERY

Testarossa (Italian for "red head") was the nickname given Rob Jensen as a young university student in Italy. Rob and Diana Jensen started Testarossa in their garage in 1993 with just twenty-five cases of wine. Today, the label has grown to national prominence among collectors by cultivating long-term partnerships with passionate growers and vineyards.



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WINERY

2013 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir

Appellation: Santa Lucia Highlands
Soil: porous, well-drained shaly loams
Elevation: 200-600 ft.
Vineyards: Primarily Dos Rubios and Guidotti Vineyards
1st TRW Vintage: 2009
Alcohol: 14.3%
Acidity: 5.66 g/L 3.61 pH
Cooperage: 100% French Oak
31% New Oak
Aging: 11 Months
Harvested: October, 2013
Produced: 3340 Cases