



SIDURI WINES

2005 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir

By focusing solely on Pinot Noir from the most prestigious vineyard sites in California and Oregon, and by vinifying each barrel separately by lot, clone, yeast and cooper, we champion individuality of place and intensity of flavor in each wine we produce

Production & Technical Data

CASE PRODUCTION: 1025 cases

RELEASE DATE: Spring 2007

Winemakers' Comments

The 2005 Siduri Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir is a blend of 49% Rosella's Vineyard, 29% Pisoni Vineyard, and 22% Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir. To come up with this blend we tasted thru all of the barrels from these three remarkable vineyards (5 clones, 14 different cooperage types) and selected barrels that we felt well represented the broader Santa Lucia Highlands appellation and also demonstrated a more forward and immediate fruit character. We then blended these barrels together, tasted the final blend, tweaked it a touch by adding in 60 gallons from the final Pisoni blend (it helped give it a touch more structure) and bottled it without fining or filtration.

The 2005 Siduri Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir is a superb example of what we are trying to accomplish with our appellation blends. It has great immediate appeal and, although it might not make old bones, its forward fruit and enticing character makes it hard to resist right now. Wine writer **Robert Parker** described it this way, *"The generic 2005 Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands exhibits sweet black currant and cherry fruit, a seductive personality, decent acidity, and ripe tannin. It should be consumed during its first 4-5 years of life."*

"To drink Siduri is to drink some of the best Pinot Noir made in America today."

- Matt Kramer, New California Wine

"One of My Favorite Wineries"

- Robert M. Parker, Jr.