



LAFOND WINERY & VINEYARDS

SRH SYRAH 2018

APPELLATION:

SANTA RITA HILLS

The Santa Rita Hills is a small appellation at the western end of the Santa Ynez Valley that has gained national recognition for its Pinot Noir and Chardonnay.

The Valley runs west to east, opening a gap in the coastal range, allowing the late afternoon ocean fog to roll in where it lingers until early morning. The surrounding hills trap the fog before it is dissipated in the wider Santa Ynez Valley.

The fog cools the vines from the day's summer heat and it is this combination of warm days and cool nights that gives the wine its complexity as well as providing acidity to give it structure.

HARVEST DATE:

September 30 & October 5, 2016

BOTTLING DATE:

February 20, 2018

WINEMAKING:

6 barrel lot, 1/3 new French oak.

The 2016 Lafond Syrah was made from a selection of the best barrels from Lafond Vineyard from three different blocks on both sides of the Santa Ynez River. 50% of this wine always includes our old vine block of Chenin Blanc roots from 1972 that we grafted Syrah onto in the 90's. Overtly cool climate with lavender, camphor, and white pepper overlaying dark brambly fruit.

TASTING NOTES:

This wine is noted for its abundant dark berry aromatics, white pepper spice notes, and firm tannins.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

Alcohol: 14.8% | pH: 3.37

Total Acid: .69 | Sugar: Dry

Harvest Sugar: 24.2-26.1 Brix

UPC# 0 87951 47401 2
12pk | 750ml

GRAPE VARIETAL:

100% Syrah

VINEYARDS:

100% Lafond
- Santa Rita Hills

