

2018 Pinot Noir Nielsen Vineyard

Appellation: Santa María Valley

Vineyard: Byron Estate, Nielsen - Block 121A

Clones: Swan

Harvest: By hand on August 31st

Yield: About 3 tons per acre

Crush: 10% whole cluster, 90% whole-berry destemmed in to small, open-top fermenters

Inoculum: RC212 after a 2-day cold maceration

Fermentation: 10 days active, with punch downs 2 times daily

Elevage: 16 months in 228 L French Oak barrels, 29% new

Racking: Once in April 2019, then again prior to bottling in April 2020

Bottling: April 7, 2020 - without fining or filtration

Alcohol: 14.0%

pH: 3.62

TA: 0.563 g/100mL

Production: 352 cases

Retail: \$54