



# LAZARRE WINES

## 2014 PINOT NOIR

STA. RITA HILLS

So when we started the LaZarre brand back in 2003, our only goal was to produce small lots of vineyard-designated Pinot Noirs. Then THAT movie hit and the result was skyrocketing grape costs along with vanishing availability. This is what led us to add other varietals to the LaZarre portfolio, which is a decision we are both very happy with. Now that the Sideways hangover is (at least partially) over, grape prices and availability have come back to a point where we can start doing special Pinot bottlings again. No more vineyard designations, but we are looking to bring in appellation specific lots and label them as such. The 2014 LaZarre Santa Rita Hills Pinot is the first of what we hope will be many.

The fruit in this bottle comes from the famous La Encantada vineyard, planted many moons ago by Pinot specialist Richard Sanford. The wine is deep and dense, no saignée or other concentration tricks necessary. Two and a half tons of fruit, seven barrels made, 140 cases produced.

A complex array of aromatics that include the sexy smells of Bing cherries, strawberries, tarragon, vanilla bean, and cocoa powder. The flavors are even more intense and change drastically as the wine opens up. This wine screams of spring. Red fruits up front like cranberries, strawberries, and barely legal raspberries followed by rosebuds, pomegranate, wet slate, and nine inch nails. This is a thug wine that may take a few years to fully open up (or a few hours in an open bottle) but should be served with any goat cheese dish, duck confit, something with a lot of mushroom, and/or heavy metal..

-Adam

Remember the Leopard!

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Appellation: Sta. Rita Hills  
Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir  
Cases produced: 140  
Alcohol: 14.5%  
pH: 3.45  
T.A.: 0.72  
Cooperage: ~40% New Allier and Tronçais French Oak barrels.  
Balance French neutrals  
Bottling date: December 2, 2016  
Suggested retail: \$54

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