

Presqu'ile Sanford & Benedict Pinot Noir

THE FACTS

COUNTRY: USA - CA

REGION: Santa Barbara County

APPELLATION: Sta. Rita Hills

CEPAGE: 100% Pinot Noir

WINEMAKING: Native yeast fermentation. Aged 11 months in French oak, 20% new, for complexity and balance.

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 13.7%

AGING: 11 months in French oak, 20% new

THE STORY

Presqu'ile is a family-owned winery located in Santa Barbara County's Santa Maria Valley, producing small-lot wines from one of California's premier cool-climate regions. Our wholesale portfolio includes Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Sauvignon Blanc, Syrah, Gamay, Rosé, and Aligoté.

PHILOSOPHY: Precision farming and minimalist winemaking define our style. We rely on native fermentations, whole-cluster inclusion, and restrained oak to preserve transparency. Each wine reflects the nuance of its site and the energy of the vintage.

BIOGRAPHY: Founded by the Murphy family, Presqu'ile is led by second-generation vintner Matt Murphy. Winemaker Dieter Cronje oversees production with consulting winemaker Jeremy Seysses of Domaine Dujac, bringing a shared commitment to elegance, structure, and site expression.

THE ADJECTIVES

OVERALL: Structured, elegant Pinot from Sanford & Benedict Vineyard

AROMAS / FLAVORS: Black cherry, rose petal, forest floor, and warm spice

MOUTHFEEL: Silky, layered, and finely structured

THE SELLING POINTS

Single-clone Pinot from historic Sta. Rita Hills site

SUSTAINABILITY: Green Practicing, Sustainable In Practice, Minimal Intervention / Augmentation, Natural Fermentation

PAIRINGS: Roast duck, wild mushroom dishes, aged cheeses

