

# LUCAS & LEWELLEN

## *Estate Vineyards*

### **ROSÉ OF PINOT NOIR**

#### **2017 | SANTA BARBARA COUNTY**



From the Lucas & Lewellen Estate Vineyards in Santa Barbara County, Louis Lucas selects choice lots for limited production premium wines. Decades of farming and meticulous attention to detail in the vineyards yields superior quality grapes from which Winemaker Megan McGrath Gates crafts award-winning wines.

#### **TASTING NOTES**

This wine was predominately made with Pinot Noir (93.3%) and co-fermented with Viognier (6.7%). After being harvested early in the morning, the grapes were crushed and soaked overnight in a stainless steel tank. This process allows the color from the skins to tint the juice a marvelous faint red color. The aromas are complex with layers of fruity, flinty and perfume-like qualities: strawberry crème, raspberry, and peach coupled with blossoms. The wine has crisp acidity and a luscious finish.

#### **VINEYARDS NOTES**

The vineyards of Lucas & Lewellen are located in the three principal wine grape growing regions of Santa Barbara County: the Santa Maria Valley, the Los Alamos Valley and the Santa Ynez Valley. These valley vineyards benefit from a transverse mountain range topography, an east-west orientation which channels cool ocean air from the Pacific into the coastal valleys. Warm days and cool nights produce a long, gentle growing season. Our Rosé of Pinot Noir is blended from grapes grown in the Goodchild and the Los Alamos Vineyards

**Goodchild & Old Adobe Vineyard**, Santa Maria Valley AVA, 67 acres  
Along both sides of the acclaimed Foxen Wine Trail, these cool climate vineyards consistently produce prize-winning Pinot Noir and Chardonnay grapes. The soils vary from clay and gravel river deposits to hillside and hilltop sites reminiscent of the great vineyards of Burgundy.

**Los Alamos Vineyard**, Santa Barbara County AVA, 172 acres  
Originally planted from cuttings brought over from Europe over 40 years ago, this vineyard is home to over 20 varieties of grapes. Thick layers of clay and loam soils coupled with a temperate climate provide ideal grape growing conditions for Burgundian, Rhone, Bordeaux and Italian varieties.

#### **TECHNICAL DATA**

T.A.: 6.20 g/L  
pH: 3.24  
R.S.: 0.48%  
Alcohol: 13.5%  
Blend: 94% Pinot Noir/6% Viognier  
Fermentation: Cold  
Bottling Date: December 2017  
Cases Produced: 1343  
**SRP: \$18.00**

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