

2023 Santa Maria Valley Estate Pinot Noir Presqu'ile Vineyard

Time and Place

The 2023 growing season was defined by patience. A cool, wet start to the year gave way to one of the longest, most measured ripening periods we've seen, with harvest stretching nearly a month later than usual. This slow pace allowed the fruit to develop gradually, concentrating flavor while retaining remarkable freshness.

Yields for our white varieties were especially healthy — generous without compromise — giving us wines that balance intensity with lift. Across the estate, the vintage carries a through-line of vibrancy, precision, and energy: a reflection of both the season's extended hang time and the coastal influence that shapes Presqu'ile.

Taste and Feel

Silken layers of red berry and cherry mingle with orange zest and subtle herbal lift. Vibrant yet composed, it carries through to a long, graceful finish. A wine that feels as natural at the table with friends as it does in a quiet, unhurried moment.



The Details

COMPOSITION	100% estate Pinot Noir
FERMENTATION	100% stainless steel
ÉLEVAGE	11 months in 10% new French oak, 90% neutral French oak. Finished for 6 months in stainless steel.
ALCOHOL	13.2%
PH	3.77
TA	5.8 g/L
WINEMAKER	Dieter Cronje
CONSULTANT	Jeremy Seysses of Domaine Dujac

Land and Farming

APPELLATION	Santa Maria Valley
VINEYARD	Presqu'ile Vineyard
ROOTSTOCK	own root, 101-14, 5C
CLONES	Mt. Eden, 777, 667, 115, Swan, Pommard
SOILS	Marina sand, Garey sandy loam
TRELLISING	VSP
ORIENTATION	N/S, E/W, NW/SE
SUSTAINABILITY	SIP Certified, organic in practice

Our Story

Presqu'ile is a family-owned estate in the Santa Maria Valley dedicated to crafting cool-climate wines that reflect the beauty of California's Central Coast. Alongside more than 100 acres of sustainably farmed estate vineyards, we partner with like-minded growers across Santa Barbara County to highlight the region's best sites. In the cellar, a minimalist approach guides the winemaking, yielding wines of purity, texture, and balance — wines made to be shared.