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Santa Lucia Highlands Monterey County

## Winemaker Notes

2012 Santa Lucia Highlands Pinot Noir Tondre's Grapefield

Stats: Alcohol: 14.1% PH: 3.63 TA: 0.67 ML: 1mg/100ml RS: 0mg/100ml Oak: 37% Hungarian Oak Time In Oak: 20 Months

## Tasting Notes

The 2012 Tondre Pinot Noir shows the typical Santa Lucia Highlands pinot spiciness mingled with forest floor, earthy tones and just a hint of tobacco. The true pinot black cherry fruit however, comes bursting through these secondary notes and dominates the nose and palate. Hints of red cherries and blackberries linger on the finish where they mingle delightfully with the balanced toasty, smokey oak flavours. The palate is full and juicy, with velvety tannins and just enough acidity to create an elegant mouthfeel from beginning to end.

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