

AROMA

forest floor, tree bark, soy sauce, dried flowers

FLAVOR

brewed Assam tea, rhubarb, peat smoked berries

FOOD PAIRINGS

braised lamb with white beans, grilled tuna with herbed tomato

Nearing 50 years of age, Adelaida's 35 acres of historic Pinot Noir vines are situated in a rare mountain microclimate in the folds of the Santa Lucia Mountain range, 14 miles from the ocean. This ideal terroir offers a rare template for translating Burgundy flavors onto a California raised wine; elegance over brawn. Adelaida's family-owned vineyards include seven distinct properties totaling approx. 160 acres in the craggy hillside terrain of Paso Robles' west side.

A tiny crop from a frost effected year, the 2011 vintage produced only eight barrels of wine from our 35 acre vineyard. Combining mostly fruit from our upper West-West block which somehow survived the two nights of 25 degrees, the harvest was quite late by Paso standards, starting late in the 3rd week of September. The wine is still developing, currently showing a crisp edge and a rhubarb-like fruit. Recommended for the cellar right now or decant for current drinking. Drink through 2016.

VINEYARD DETAILS

AVA: Paso Robles

Vineyard: HMR Estate Vineyard

Elevation: 1700-1900 feet

Soil type: Calcareous Limestone

COOPERAGE & DATA

Barrel aged 16 months;

100% French oak barrique; 40% new

Harvest dates: 9/23/11-10/31/11

Alcohol: 13.5%

Unfined.

VINTAGE DETAILS

Variety: 100% Pinot Noir

Cases: 194

Release date: 7/03/13

CA suggested retail: \$40

