



FOLDED HILLS

# 2020 ESTATE SYRAH

## THE WINE

The Estate Syrah is made entirely from fruit grown on our estate vineyard, tucked into the slopes of Folded Hills. The site is meticulously farmed by grower Ruben Solorzano. It is our third Reserve Syrah entirely from Folded Hills vineyard and showcases Nojoqui, the southernmost block of Syrah.

Winemaker Michael Brughelli chose the optimum moment for harvest. Two fermentation lots were picked and fermented separately. Of these two, one had 37.5% Whole cluster while the other was 100% destemmed. The wine was aged for 10 months in 23% new French oak, to enhance texture and depth, without overwhelming the subtle flavor of the site. The expression is delicate from vine to bottle and transports you to the mineral earth and unique climate of Folded Hills. We highly recommend decanting this wine for optimal expression.

## TECHNICAL INFORMATION

VINTAGE:	2020
GRAPE VARIETIES:	100% Syrah
REGION:	Santa Ynez Valley
ALCOHOL:	14.2%
pH LEVEL:	3.8

## TASTING NOTES

Entices with aromatics of tapenade and blackberry, alongside boysenberry, fresh black pepper, and mocha. This wine is deep and powerful yet vibrant, with bright acidity and energy, the epitome of a cool climate Syrah.

## WINEMAKING

PROCESSING:	Two fermentations, one 37.5% whole cluster, one 100% de-stemmed
ÉLEVAGE:	10 months in neutral French oak, 23% new

## FOLDED HILLS

In making Folded Hills wines, our goal is to respect the land, and through the wines, express its unique voice. With as little interference as possible, we let the grapes speak for themselves. We strive to craft beautiful wines with a focus on purity and use old-world practices in our certified organic vineyards. We consciously handcraft small-batch artisanal wines, using no commercial additives and the smallest amount of sulfur; just enough to preserve the wine. Folded Hills wines contain no residual sugar and use only native yeasts that occur naturally in the vineyard. It's all part of our promise to make wine in an honest, time-honored way.

## DETAILS

BOTTLING DATE:	August 16, 2021
RELEASE DATE:	October 7, 2022
SRP:	\$85

