

## 2019 Attente Red Wine

### Production Insights

#### **Who We Are**

Alma Rosa is deeply rooted in the winemaking history of the Santa Rosa Hills in the southern sector of the Sta. Rita Hills AVA. Here, growing conditions combine sunshine with the powerful cooling influence of onshore winds and fog from the Pacific Ocean. The unique geography, chilly climate, and clay-loam soils attracted Richard Sanford to this area in the early 70s where he pioneered Pinot Noir in Santa Barbara County. Growing consistently balanced wines through sustainable farming is part of the enduring legacy of our founder Richard Sanford.

#### **Vineyard**

- 50% Grenache & 50% Syrah from our estate, blocks 19 & 20

#### **Vintage Notes**

The 2019 growing season was long and mild, with a moist, foggy winter and a mild spring and summer. Summer concluded with a July heat spike with temperatures reaching into the high 90s. Due to the Sta. Rita Hills' position near the transverse mountain range, the vineyards experienced cool ocean breezes from the Pacific Ocean which allowed grapes to mature slowly, developing flavor concentration with optimal ripeness.

#### **Winemaking**

- 20% whole cluster fermentation
- 100% fermented for 21 days in oak open top casks with native yeasts
- Aged in 60% new French oak for 14 months
- Bottled unfinned and unfiltered

#### **Details**

Production: 85 CS

Alcohol: 14.5%



#### **Tasting Notes**

A bouquet of gardenia flowers emerges as you swirl your glass, blending with notes of tobacco, dry herbs and sage. A well-pronounced tannin structure presents on the palate, while delivering notes of dark cherries, black currant and leather. An elegant, smooth finish makes this wine enjoyable with a wide range of dishes or on its own. We recommend that you decant before enjoying