

LE MACHIN WINES

Le Machin is a new project by Mike Roth of Lo-Fi wines. Roth continues to stay true to his roots with minimal intervention and a gentle approach to fruit and extraction. He had a chance to work with CCOF organic Pinot Noir, Syrah, and Chardonnay from the Santa Rita Hills and he scooped up the fruit and Le Machin was born.

Mike Roth launched Lo-Fi Wines in 2014 with Craig Winchester while working as winemaker with Coquelicot Estate whose wines shared the Lo-Fi spirit. Roth and Winchester continue Lo-Fi Wines as a high-priority passion project and business while maintaining their winemaking “day jobs Lo-Fi is marked by easy drinking, low alcohol, neutral barrel—if any—oak, native yeasts, little or no sulfur or other interventions that hide the fruit or the vintage that spawned it. Nothing added and nothing taken away.

PINOT NOIR



Varietal/Blend: Pinot Noir (clone 667 and 777 on 101-14 rootstock)

Farming Practices: CCOF certified organic

Soil: Tierra loam

Harvest Technique: by hand in August and September around 23.5° brix

Yeast: ambient

Fermentation: 95% destemmed and 5% whole crushed to 1.5 ton open-top fermenters with no SO₂ added / 3-day cold soak / punch downs twice a day / after primary fermentation wine is racked to neutral 228L French oak barrels / then returned to tanks for settling

Malolactic: full malolactic by naturally occurring bacteria

Maturation: up to 8 months in barrel

Sulfur: 60ppm total SO₂

Acidity: TA 7.67 g/L / 3.39 pH

Fined: no

Filtered: no

Alcohol: 14%

Country: United States

Region: Santa Barbara County, California

Sub Region: Santa Rita Hills

Vineyard: Spear Vineyard Estate

Vineyard Density and Yield: 6'x3' spacing / low yields

Production #s: 775 cases

Typical Santa Barbara season outside of an early bloom and fruit set. The lingering drought eased in most of the state but Santa Barbara still remained dry. September typically being our warmest month, our grapes were not affected by late season heat due to the crop load and early harvest date. Total degree days just over 2100. Rainfall total 21.28" (138%- of historical average).