

Paul Lato



2023 "Suerte" Pinot Noir

Solomon Hills, Vineyard, Santa Maria Valley



From the Solomon Hills Vineyard, not far from Bien Nacido, and brought up 17 months in 65% new French oak, the 2023 Pinot Noir Suerte is slightly deep ruby/plum-hued and shows spicy black cherries, black tea, orange blossom, and forest floor notes. It's incredibly complex and layered, medium-bodied on the palate, with a pure, seamless mouthfeel, ripe tannins, and some classic Santa Maria salinity on the finish. It too will keep for a decade. Drink 2025-2035. - **97pts Jeb Dunnuck**

Vinification: Destemmed. Aged 17 months in 65% new French oak. Bottled unfinned & unfiltered.

Clones: 115, 667

Soil: Ocean floor sandy loam

Alc: 13.9%

pH: 3.66

TA: 5.6

Cases Produced: 200