

# PATINÉ

Winemaker: Mike Smith | Production: 57 Cases  
Pisoni Clone | 50% New French Oak

## **Vineyard**

Soberanes Vineyard

## **AVA**

Santa Lucia Highlands AVA (Monterey County)

## **Wine Profile**

Up front and vibrant with a rich dark garnet red hue, this wine offers beautiful mouthfeel and texture. As with the previous vintages, it mingles the same savory earth notes, framboise style fruit and floral nuances that are very characteristic of the Santa Lucia Highlands region.

## **Palate Impressions**

Spring flower aromas give way to the abundant strawberry and red currant fruits that are precise and intense. Among the array of Pinot Noirs in the portfolio, Soberanes emerges as the epitome of spice, consistently displaying its lively character. A subtle interplay of forest floor undertones adds a layer of complexity to the mouth coating mid palate. Skillfully integrated oak contributes to a remarkable equilibrium, helping to achieve great balance and natural acidity. It initiates with a bold entry and gracefully transitions into a velvety finish. Aged 10 months in 65% new French oak barrels.

## **Vineyard Context**

Nestled up against the bench-land hills, the Soberanes Vineyard is located in the heart of the Santa Lucia Highlands. This family owned vineyard has perfect drainage and abundant filtered sunshine that allows these grapes to ripen perfectly and evenly throughout the growing season. Managed primarily by the Pisoni Family, the utmost in care and attention to detail shows in every cluster of this vineyard.

