

2000 Syrah "Bien Nacido Vineyard"

The wine is 100% Syrah from the "X" Block at Bien Nacido Vineyard in Santa Maria. These vines were grafted to Syrah in 1986 (originally planted in 1972 to Riesling) from Estrella River clone cuttings. The 2000 vintage was warm and generous and the wine shows great fruit character and spice.

The aromas are explosive, exhibiting berries, black fruits, white pepper, smoked meats, and minerals. The mouth is rich with more berries, toast, and spices, finishing with balanced acidity.