

# PALI WINE CO

## Pinot Noir 'Rancho La Viña Vineyard' No 2018

**About our Rancho La Viña Vineyard Pinot Noir :** This exceptional vineyard is a true gem, with a variety of farm life flourishing within it. In addition to the old walnut orchard, which was planted over a century ago, the Tutti Frutti Farm on the property grows heirloom tomatoes, squash, and green beans. Nestled within the ranch is a small and intimate vineyard, dedicated exclusively to Pinot Noir.

Rancho La Viña's rich history is just as impressive as its natural beauty, as it is part of the original Rancho Santa Rosa Land Grant, which spanned 15,526 acres. Although the land has been divided and sold off over time, the Rancho La Viña Vineyard remains on the same plot and is still owned and operated by the same family who received the land grant from the Spanish-Mexican Army in 1875.

The Pinot Noir vines at Rancho La Viña Vineyard thrive with the help of a natural, subterranean spring, resulting in a lush and verdant vineyard with incredible greens in the spring and summer. The vineyard is farmed sustainably, with a focus on natural practices and low yields, ensuring the concentration and intensity of the grapes. The Pinot Noir vines are planted in a mix of Dijon clones and heritage clones, which adds complexity and depth to the wine. The grapes are always harvested by hand and sorted with great care to ensure only the highest quality fruit is used for this wine.

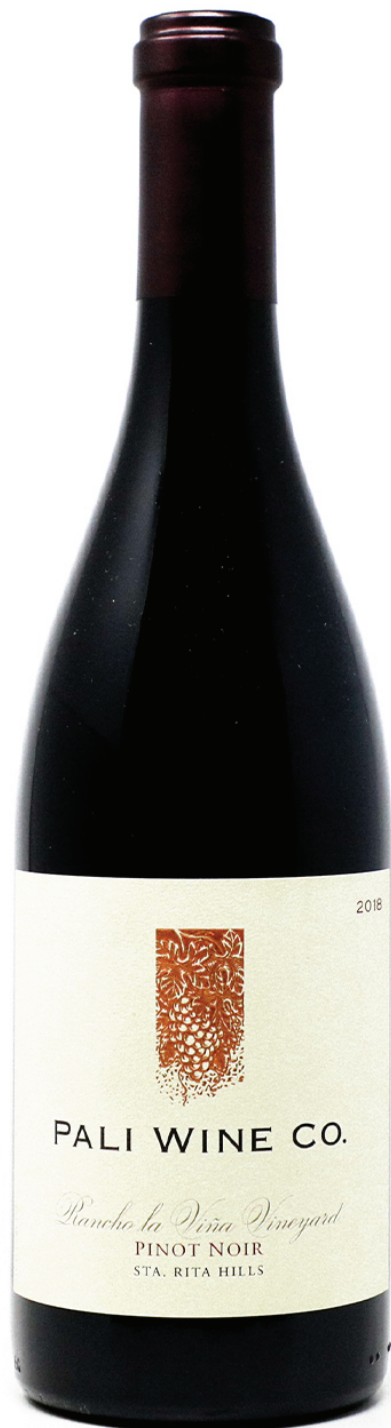
Rancho La Viña Vineyard Pinot Noir consistently produces a distinct wine with brooding dark-berry flavor, making it the fruitiest of our Pinot Noirs year after year.

**Tasting Notes :** Our Rancho La Viña Vineyard Pinot Noir boasts a deep, intense crimson color that catches the eye. On the nose, it offers a complex bouquet of dark fruit, spices, and earthy undertones. The palate is full-bodied, with a rich texture and multiple layers of black cherry, blackberry, and pomegranate flavors, which are balanced by subtle hints of vanilla, clove, and cinnamon.

**ABV :** 14.6%

**AVA :** Sta. Rita Hills

**Total Production :** 210 cases



## 93 Points

Rich aromas of boysenberry jam, baked cherry and wood oil are heavy and intense on the nose of this single-vineyard expression. It's thick and powerful on the palate, loaded with a base of berry but also tons of spice, from cardamom to clove.

**Matt Kettmann, Wine Enthusiast Magazine**