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WINE IMPORTERS, LTD



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| WINERY | Solomon Hills Vineyards |
| WINE | Pinot Noir |
| REGION | Santa Maria Valley |
| VARIETAL | 100% Pinot Noir Clones: Pommard, 667, 115 |
| LOCATION OF VINEYARDS | Santa Maria, Santa Barbara |
| ORIENTATION | Western edge of the Santa Maria Valley appellation |
| SOIL | Garey Series; a marine based wind deposited loamy sand that at one time was the sea bed |
| FARMING METHOD | Sustainability in Practice  |
| VINIFICATION | Hand harvested and barrel fermented with native yeast and malolactic fermentations |
| AGEING | Aged for 16 months in French oak; 40% new |
| ALCOHOL | 14.2% |
| TOTAL PRODUCTION | 130 cases produced |
| WINEMAKER | Trey Fletcher |
| TASTING NOTES | Exotic Indian spices with pomegranate and Red Hots. This wine has a shy and elegant entry that firms up on the finish with ripe cranberries and juicy pomegranate. The expression of this wine is classic Solomon Hills. |

ABOUT THE WINERY

Solomon Hills Vineyards is the most recently developed vineyard in the portfolio of vineyards and wineries that the Miller family have produced in the Central Coast. The close proximity to the Miller family Bien Nacido Vineyards has allowed a synergy to exist between the two vineyards, producing outstanding results from each.

The soils of Solomon Hills Vineyards are composed primarily of ocean floor sandy loams. Because it is the western most vineyard in the Santa Maria Valley appellation, it is perhaps the most maritime of all vineyards in this growing region. With the Pacific coastline only miles away, a constant maritime influence results in wines of crisp acidity, bright fruit and an inherent balance. Developed in the late 1990 s, it didn't take long for both wineries and wine critics alike to take notice of the quality of the fruit coming out of Solomon Hills Vineyards. Within a few short years the demand for the fruit far exceeded the supply. Solomon Hills Vineyards is the source for the two highest rated Pinot Noirs in Santa Maria from the famed wine critic Robert Parker Jr.

The Solomon Hills Vineyards takes its name its neighboring hills named for Salomon Pico, a celebrated bandit who in the 1850 s traveled frequently along the stretch of El Camino Real that is known today as Santa Maria Valley. Pico's life was so colorful that it is believed by many to have inspired the legend of Zorro.

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