

2016 JOHN SEBASTIANO VINEYARD SYRAH

Retail Price: \$60.00 Alcohol %: 14.7 Varietal: Syrah Region: Santa Barbara County **Appellation**: Santa Rita Hills Vineyard: John Sebastiano **Clones**: 383 **pH**: 3.65 Malo: Malolactic Fermenation Oak Regime: 100% French Oak, 0% New Tasting Notes: Deep, dark magenta hued in color. The aromatics are sophisticated with notes of black cherry, cocoa powder, peppered cured meats, leather, and tobacco leaf. Brooding yet elegant, the lush tannins are balanced with ample acidity. Co- fermented with 5% Viognier and aged exclusively in neutral French oak, this Syrah expresses the full potential this variety is capable of achieving in the cool climate of the Santa Rita Hills appellation.



97 points Jeb Dunnuck:

"Sourced all from the Sta. Rita Hills section of the John Sebastiano Vineyard, the 2016 Syrah John Sebastiano Vineyard is a rock star effort that spent 18 months in neutral barrels. Black raspberries, olive tapenade, smoke herbs, and crushed flower notes all flow to a rich, full-bodied beauty that has ultra-fine tannins, thrilling purity, and a great, great finish. I love it."

94 points Antonio Galloni:

"The 2016 Syrah John Sebastiano Vineyard is the most complete wine in the range today. Inky blueberry fruit, mint, lavender and spice develop effortlessly in a perfumed, pliant Syrah that displays all the best the vintage has to offer. The 2016 grows in the glass as the flavors and textures build into the expressive finish. A balance of fruit intensity and restraint is one of the many things I admire about the 2016 today."