

2016 Capiaux Garys' Vineyard Pinot Noir Santa Lucia Highlands

Garys' Vineyard is a highly acclaimed and storied site owned by two Garys. It was planted in the mid '90's to Pisoni clones in Santa Lucia Highlands sandy loam soil. With my first vintage of Garys' in 1999, I could sense its old-world beginnings and knew this vineyard could rival some of the great Burgundy "grand cru" sites.

Dark appearance with a youthful purple hue and solid core set the stage for this year's Garys' Pinot Noir. Striking aromas of currant, cherry liquor and earth jump from the glass. Flavors of blackberry, smoked meats and espresso meld into a creamy finish. Nicely balanced acids and tannins from this vineyard consistently make this a wine of great nuance and finesse.

Antonio Galloni 92pts

The 2016 Pinot Noir Garys' Vineyard is one of the more open, giving wines in this range. Super ripe red cherry and plum fruit are pushed forward. Sweet floral and citrus overtones develop in the glass, adding attractive aromatic top notes, but this is a decidedly overt, racy style that can be enjoyed with minimal cellaring. Drinking window 2018-2024. Reviewed Apr 2018



Appellation:	Santa Lucia Highlands
Vineyard:	100% Garys'
Harvest Date:	September 2
Brix @ Harvest:	25.3
Bottling Date:	August 2017
pH:	3.82
Release Date:	March 2018
TA (g/l):	6.2
Aging:	French oak, 40% new
Alcohol:	14.6
Months Aging:	11
Production:	167 cases
Suggested Retail:	\$45