



Lucia Wines are hand-crafted by the Pisoni Family. These wines represent a commitment to producing small lots of exceptional wines from their cool-climate growing region. Working only with vineyards they farm, Gary, Mark and Jeff Pisoni produce Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Syrah and a Rosé of Pinot Noir. Our goal is for each wine to represent the vineyard and vintage, while at the same time displaying a sense of balance, intensity of flavor and ageability.

2009 Lucia, Syrah, Garys' Vineyard Santa Lucia Highlands

The Vintage

2009 continued a series of very dry winters for California. These drought conditions stressed the vines and increased concentration in the wines. The spring and summer growing seasons were mild. Harvest began in early September and was finished just before the major rain event and humid weather that arrived in mid-October. The 2009 wines are very well structured. The reds have high tannin levels that will allow them to age gracefully for years. The whites are showing broad textures and great acidity.

The Vineyard:

The Garys' Vineyard is a joint venture between two native growers of the Santa Lucia Highlands. Gary Pisoni and Gary Francioni planted this 50-acre vineyard to Pinot Noir and Syrah in 1997. Its location on a sloping hillside in the center of the 16-mile long appellation offers a true representation of the Santa Lucia Highlands: Alluvial soils with a lot of fog and wind in the summer.

The Winemaking:

Lucia wines result from the fusion of ideal California weather conditions and classic Burgundian winemaking techniques. Winery practices such as fruit sorting, gravity transfers, hand punch-downs during fermentation, select French oak barrels and unfiltered bottling combine to produce serious wines.

Tasting Notes:

The 2009 Lucia Syrah, Garys' Vineyard, is deep garnet in color. Its beautiful aromas leap out of the glass and display a mélange of boysenberry, sage, dried lavender, rose petal, stone fruit and red peppercorn. On the palate, the wine is very focused, following a tight core of soft tannins and firm acidity that evolves to a gentle finish. The Syrah opens up even more with decanting or aeration in the glass. Drink now through 2020.



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