

Spring 2023

WINE CLUB NEWSLETTER

Greetings Wine Club Members,

Spring is in the air at Lincourt! At the winery we are busy getting wines out of barrel and bottle ready, making sure the white wines are cold and heat stable. Our vineyard team is busy finishing pruning – we expect bud break most likely in March, as the season moves to warmer temperatures. We've had over 150% of our normal rainfall already this year – much needed rain to help curb drought conditions – so we anticipate a larger crop size for the 2023 vintage.

Your Spring selection marks the first of the 2022 vintage releases for Lincourt: our 2022 Grüner Veltliner. I like to pair this wine with an English pea salad with feta or save it for a fresh and inviting Easter brunch. Grüner Veltliner is a unique varietal that grows well in the Sta. Rita Hills, despite an unprecedented heat wave in September 2022. We typically get warm weather in the late summer to kick off harvest, but last year was different in that the heat extended for 8 consecutive IO6-degree days that did not cool off at night. No harm to the grapes though, as we exercised restraint and picked the vines when the phenological development caught up to the sugar development.

Also included in your shipment is the 2020 Lindsay Pinot Noir and the 2019 Syrah, both from Sta. Rita Hills. This Pinot Noir would be a delight paired with a creamy fromage, while I like the Syrah alongside a rosemary pork tenderloin with cranberry chutney. The 2019 growing season began with a cloudy, cool spring that led to late bud break in the region and an overall "typical" harvest that yielded high quality, flavorful fruit. 2020 presented challenges, from Covid to record wildfires to smaller than average crops, despite which the fruit was stellar with small berries and concentrated flavors – a good recipe for quality.

Remember that as a wine club member, you may enjoy many benefits, including:

• Complimentary enrollment in the Foley Food & Wine Society loyalty points program, earning points for dollars spent; points may be redeemed towards future purchases and experiences

- · Complimentary wine tasting for up to 4 guests at Lincourt
- 20% savings on wine purchases and guest experiences at Lincourt
- 10% savings on merchandise at Lincourt
- · Complimentary wine tasting for up to 4 guests and savings on guest experiences at partner Foley Food & Wine Society wineries

If you have any questions about your wine club membership, please contact us at wineclub@lincourtwines.com.

Are you going to be in the Solvang area? We hope you will make plans to visit the winery, walk-ins are welcome! For the latest news about the winery, like new wine releases, experiences, and last-minute pop-ups, follow us on <u>Instagram</u> and <u>Facebook</u> - @lincourtwine, or visit our website, <u>www.lincourtwine.com</u>. I hope you enjoy your wines this spring and see you soon at the tasting room!

Lorna Keuetz, Winemaker



Heatured Wine Selections



## 2022 Grüner Veltliner

Our 2022 Grüner Veltliner shines throughout with complex minerality and notes of kiwi fruit, fresh squeezed lemon, and hints of tangerine zest. On the palate it's linear, lean, and crisp with a medley of fruit flavors including peach, kiwi, and lemon.

APPELLATION	Sta. Rita Hills
COMPOSITION	100% Grüner Veltliner
ALCOHOL	11.5%
AGING	Stainless steel
PRODUCTION	933 cases



## 2020 Lindsay Pinot Noir

This wine opens with aromas of bright red cherry cola and accents of red cranberry fruit with dashes of black pepper. On the palate, this is a light-bodied Pinot Noir with dominant flavors of red cranberry tart and fresh red raspberry purée. Spiced peppercorn, dried cherry, and raspberry fruit notes linger on the finish.

APPELLATION	Sta. Rita Hills
COMPOSITION	100% Pinot Noir
ALCOHOL	13.7%
AGING	16 months in French oak, 30% new
PRODUCTION	320 cases



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## 2019 Syrah

Our 2019 Syrah is delicious with aromas of soft white pepper, accents of Kalamata olive, and earthy pomegranate juice. On the palate, this wine has ribbons of red plum and cranberry fruit with accents of espresso bean and smokey tobacco leaf.

APPELLATION	Sta. Rita Hills
COMPOSITION	100% Syrah
ALCOHOL	14.1%
AGING	18 months in French oak, 50% new
PRODUCTION	198 cases

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