

Longoria

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A NOTE FROM RICK

For this final Grand Tastevin Order Wine Club shipment of the year we are pleased to release three new limited-production wines from the outstanding 2019 vintage: A Noir Supreme Pinot Noir, Cabernet Franc and Evidence. From our library we are re-releasing a very special 2016 Merlot.

A Noir Supreme is a special blend of Pinot from our estate vineyard, Fe Ciega, and Sanford & Benedict Vineyard. The bold and rich flavors from Sanford & Benedict combined with the finesse of Fe Ciega produced a wine with a great balance of power and elegance.

The Cabernet Franc and Evidence both include Cabernet Franc from Camp 4 and Valley View Vineyard. We also sourced Cabernet Sauvignon from Valley View Vineyard this year and a small amount even made its way into the Cabernet Franc. For the first time, I made a small amount of Petit Verdot, from Santa Ynez Valley Vineyard, to blend into the Evidence.

From our wine library we are re-releasing our final bottling of Merlot. The two years of additional bottle aging in our cellar have softened the tannins. The exotic aromas and ripe fruit flavors have melded together to create a complex and powerful example of Merlot. This is not your grocery store style of Merlot.

As I write this note, we are completely done with crush and have put all the new wines to rest. It's been another outstanding vintage and I look forward to releasing these new vintages in the coming year.

I believe you'll enjoy each of these wines and remind you that if you order additional bottles of any of these wines within the month of November, you save an extra 5% off your purchase.

Diana and I, and the Longoria Team, sincerely appreciate your continued support. We wish you and your family all the best during the holidays and the new year.

Cheers,



— Rick Longoria, Winemaker



Rick tasting the newly pressed 2021 Mencia, which he is excited about releasing next year.

We will be closed for the following holidays:

Thanksgiving: Thursday, November 25th

Christmas Eve: Friday, December 24th

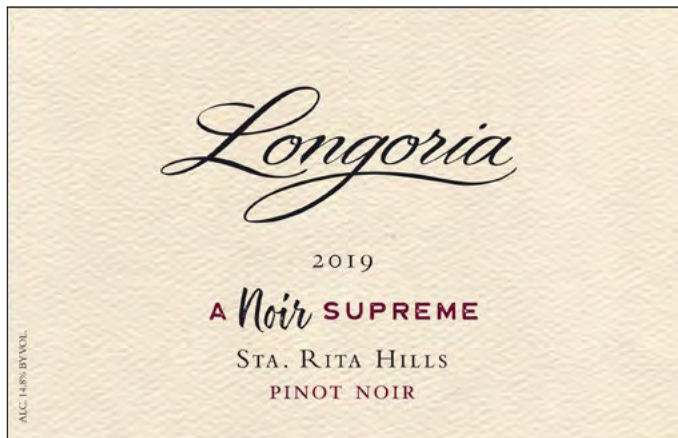
Christmas Day: Saturday, December 25th

New Year's Day: Saturday, January 1st

We will close at 3 pm on New Year's Eve,
Friday, December 31st

These are the GTO releases for November. The wines included in your shipment vary according to your Wine Club selection. The cost for each shipment includes the price of the wine, less your Wine Club discount, plus packaging, shipping and appropriate sales tax, when applicable.

RICK'S WINEMAKER NOTES



2019 PINOT NOIR

Sta. Rita Hills - **A Noir Supreme**

I crafted A Noir Supreme from the fruit of two of the finest vineyards in the Sta. Rita Hills AVA. This very limited, special release wine is my tribute to John Coltrane's 1964 jazz masterpiece recording, "A Love Supreme." The album is musical proof that art flourishes in a collaborative space. Nature and the worker's hands provide the winemaker with the raw material and the wine cellar is the studio within which we follow our aesthetic instincts to create unique wines. This wine exemplifies artistry in winemaking.

The grapes from our estate vineyard, Fe Ciega, and Sanford & Benedict Vineyard were harvested on September 25th and 16th respectively, with a combined average sugar content of 24.8 Brix.

My assistant Joe and I conducted many blending trials during the 15 months that the wines were aging before settling on the final blend. Only 20% was aged in new French oak barrels.

The wine has a medium-dark ruby color. It has a complex aroma of sage, cherries and cherry cola. On the palate the wine has a rich texture with smooth tannins. The flavors are similar to those found in the aroma with an added hint of sweet cherry vanilla. The excellent natural acidity provides a long, rich and vibrant finish. The wine has a great balance of power and elegance.

This bold and powerful Pinot Noir will pair well with hearty foods such as lamb, duck and pork tenderloin bathed in cherry sauce. I recommend decanting the wine 45-60 minutes prior to serving to allow the wine to open up.

COMPOSITION: 100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARD SOURCES: Fe Ciega (80%), Sanford & Benedict (20%)

PRODUCTION: 31 cases

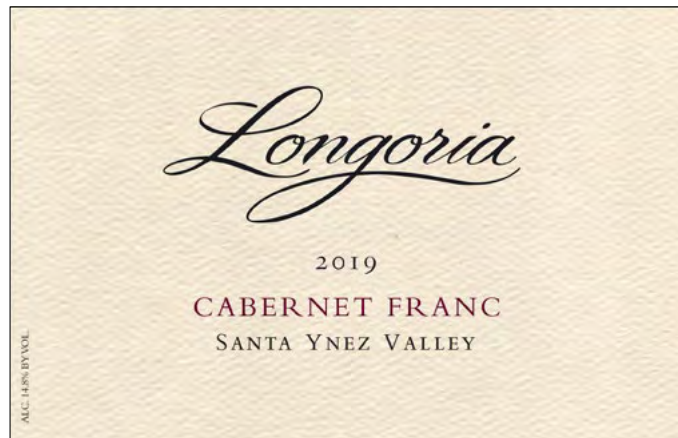
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 14.8%

pH: 3.64

TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.60 g/100 ml.

CELLARING POTENTIAL: Five to seven years

BOTTLE PRICE: \$70.00



2019 CABERNET FRANC

Santa Ynez Valley

From the first time I worked with locally grown Cabernet Franc grapes in the late 80's, I became a fan of this classic Bordeaux varietal. In most years this grape is the driving force behind our Blues Cuvée and Evidence blends. But my fondness for this noble grape has inspired me to create this varietal bottling of Cabernet Franc.

The grapes were destemmed and crushed into small, open-top fermenters. The fermentation lasted for 14 days after which the wine was pressed off, settled for several days and racked to French oak barrels, of which 19% were new. After aging for 22 months the wines were blended, lightly filtered and bottled in August 2021.

The wine has a medium dark ruby color. The classic Cabernet Franc aromas are fragrant with notes of black pepper, roasted bell peppers, with a hint of dried black cherries. On the palate the wine has a rich mid-palate of concentrated fruit and silky tannins. The flavors are of black cherries, black pepper and a hint of coffee toffee. The wine is perfectly balanced with acidity, contributing to a long and persistent finish. This is a rich and well-balanced example of Cabernet Franc.

Try pairing this wine with a variety of foods including grilled steaks, tomato based Mediterranean dishes, and pork loin. I recommend decanting the wine 30-45 minutes prior to serving.

COMPOSITION:

Cabernet Franc (94%)

Camp 4 Vineyard (64%)

Valley View Vineyard (30%)

Cabernet Sauvignon - Valley View Vineyard (6%)

PRODUCTION: 29 cases

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 14.8%

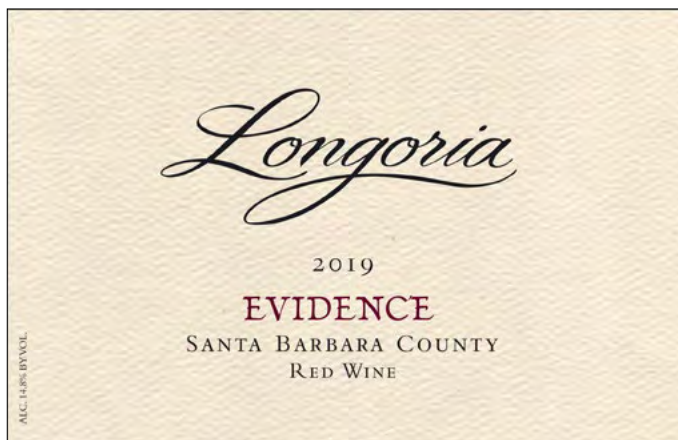
pH: 3.73

TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.61 g/100 ml.

CELLARING POTENTIAL: Six to nine years

BOTTLE PRICE: \$50.00

Reorder any of the wines in your shipment within 30 days and get an extra 5% discount. Since these wines are available only to GTO members for 30 days you must place your order by email or phone. After 30 days these wines will be available to the main Club at the regular price.



2019 EVIDENCE

Santa Barbara County - **Red Wine**

For over 40 years, I've used locally grown grapes to produce my Bordeaux-style wines. During those years, I've explored many local vineyards looking for varieties that best exemplify Santa Barbara County's unique climate and terroir. The results of those explorations are in this bottle. This blend is evidence that our wine region can produce a world class Bordeaux-style blend.

During the growing season and harvest of 2019, we experienced mild temperatures which resulted in relatively late harvest dates for the Bordeaux grape varieties. The grapes were 100% destemmed and crushed into open-top fermenters. After cold soaking, the musts were inoculated with yeast and fermented for an average of 12 days. The wines aged in 20% new French oak barrels for 22 months.

The wine has a very dark ruby color. It has a beautiful, complex array of aromas including violets, lavender, baked cherries and hints of nutmeg and cinnamon. On the palate the wine has flavors of ripe cherries, plums with smooth tannins and excellent acidity. This is a beautifully well-balanced wine that I recommend decanting 40-60 minutes prior to serving.

This wine will pair well with duck, venison and turkey as well as flavorful cheeses.

COMPOSITION:

- Cabernet Franc (62%)
 - Camp 4 Vineyard (29%)
 - Valley View Vineyard (33%)
- Cabernet Sauvignon – Valley View Vineyard (33%)
- Petit Verdot – Santa Ynez Valley Vineyard (5%)

PRODUCTION: 33 cases

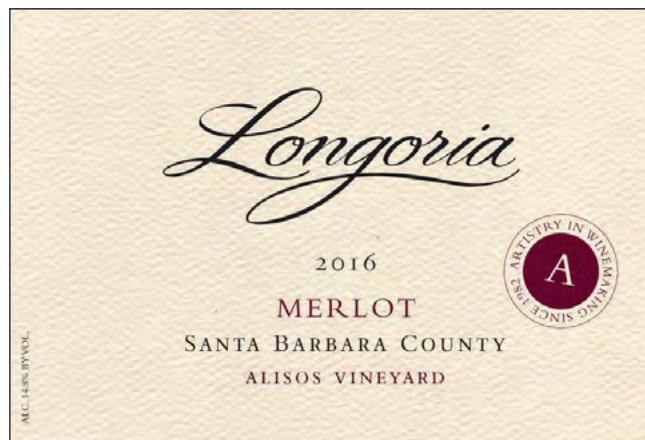
ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 14.8%

pH: 3.66

TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.65 g/100 ml.

CELLARING POTENTIAL: Seven to ten years

BOTTLE PRICE: \$70.00



LIBRARY RELEASE: 2016 MERLOT

Santa Barbara County - **Alisos Vineyard**

Without a doubt, my favorite vineyard source for Merlot is Alisos Vineyard, located a few miles east of Los Alamos. Of all the Merlot vineyards I have worked with, Alisos Vineyard always produces the most intense wines. The 2016 vintage was so exceptional that I was moved to set aside one barrel, only 24 cases, for this bottling to exemplify the wine's extraordinary potential.

The wine has changed very little since its release in 2019. The color is still an extremely dark red, opaque color. The brooding aromas of ripe figs, black cherries and vanillin have changed very little. The rich flavors are now reminiscent of dried dates, mince pie, coffee and cloves. The strong tannins have smoothed out but still indicate the wine will benefit from a few more years of cellaring.

This robust wine will pair well with the heartiest of meals including grilled flat iron steak with blue cheese butter, roast leg of lamb with rosemary and garlic, and stuffed portabella mushrooms with crispy goat cheese.

COMPOSITION:

- Merlot – Alisos Vineyard (97%)
- Cabernet Sauvignon – Happy Canyon Vineyard (3%)

ORIGINAL PRODUCTION: 24 cases

ALCOHOL BY VOLUME: 14.8%

pH: 3.78

TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 0.59 g/100 ml.

CELLARING POTENTIAL: Additional five to seven years

BOTTLE PRICE: \$70.00

LONGORIA CURRENT AND NEW RELEASES

NEW RELEASES IN THIS SHIPMENT	BOTTLE PRICE	15% DISCOUNT	20% DISCOUNT
2019 Pinot Noir, A Noir Supreme	\$70.00	\$59.50	\$56.00
2019 Cabernet Franc, Santa Ynez Valley	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2019 Evidence, Bordeaux-Style Blend	\$70.00	\$59.50	\$56.00

LIBRARY RELEASE IN THIS SHIPMENT	BOTTLE PRICE	15% DISCOUNT	20% DISCOUNT
2016 Merlot, Alisos Vineyard	\$70.00	\$59.50	\$56.00

CURRENT RELEASES	BOTTLE PRICE	15% DISCOUNT	20% DISCOUNT
2018 Chardonnay, Cuvée Diana	\$45.00	\$38.25	\$36.00
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2019 Pinot Noir, Lovely Rita	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2016 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard	\$55.00	\$46.75	\$44.00
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2016 Pinot Noir, Fe Ciega Vineyard Block M	\$75.00	\$63.75	\$60.00
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2018 Pinot Noir, La Encantada Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2017 Pinot Noir, Sanford & Benedict Vineyard	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
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2017 Pinot Noir, A Noir Supreme	\$70.00	\$59.50	\$56.00
2018 Blues Cuvée, Santa Barbara County	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2018 Tangled Up In Red, Santa Ynez Valley	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2016 Cabernet Franc, Santa Ynez Valley	\$48.00	\$40.80	\$38.40
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2018 Cabernet Franc, Santa Ynez Valley	\$50.00	\$42.50	\$40.00
2018 Grenache, Santa Ynez Valley	\$30.00	\$25.50	\$24.00
2019 Graciano, Two Wolves Vineyard	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2016 Evidence, Bordeaux-Style Blend	\$70.00	\$59.50	\$56.00
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2018 Syrah, Santa Barbara County	\$35.00	\$29.75	\$28.00
2013 Syrah Reserva, Alisos Vineyard	\$45.00	\$38.25	\$36.00
2019 Tempranillo, Santa Ynez Valley	\$36.00	\$30.60	\$28.80
2014 Syrah, <i>Vino Dulce</i> , Port-Style Wine (375ml)	\$23.00	\$19.55	\$18.40

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