

# REVIEWS FOR LONGORIA WINES

# **WINE ADVOCATE – AUGUST 2014**

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# 2012 CHARDONNAY, CUVÉE DIANA, STA. RITA HILLS

"Leading off the Chardonnays, the 2012 Chardonnay Cuvee Diana is a blend of four vineyards in the Sta. Rita Hills AVA. Seeing roughly 25% of the blend through malolactic fermentation and aging 13 months in 26% new French oak, it's a pretty, elegant and nicely textured white that offers up-front citrus blossom, white flowers and hints of toast on the nose. It's an outstanding effort, yet has a forward, supple feel that's perfect for drinking over the coming year or two. Drink 2014-2016" - Jeb Dunnuck

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# 2012 CHARDONNAY, RITA'S CROWN VINEYARD, STA. RITA HILLS

"More elegant, layered and seamless, yet still with a rounded, supple style, the brilliant 2012 Chardonnay Rita's Crown gives up impressive stone fruits, lychee, white flowers, brioche and hints of minerality on the nose. Medium to full-bodied, pure, supple and borderline voluptuous, enjoy this beauty over the coming couple of years as well. Drink 2014-2017" - Jeb Dunnuck

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#### 2013 PINOT GRIGIO, SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

"A naked, pure, crisp and steely effort, the 2013 Pinot Grigio gives up ample green citrus and tinges of minerality to go with a beautifully pure style on the palate. Finishing dry and clean, it too is a beautiful white to enjoy over the coming year or so. Drink 2014-2015" - Jeb Dunnuck

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# 2011 PINOT NOIR, FE CIEGA VINEYARD, STA. RITA HILLS

"The 2011 Pinot Noir Fe Ciega Vineyard is a focused, structured effort that has crisp red berries, underbrush and hints of minerality to go with its pure, linear style. Completely destemmed and aged 15 months in 30% new French oak, give it another year in the cellar, and it should have a solid 7- to 8-year drink window. Drink 2014-2022" - Jeb Dunnuck

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# 2012 PINOT NOIR, FE CIEGA VINEYARD, BLOCK M, STA. RITA HILLS

"Showing the purity of the vintage, the 2012 Pinot Noir Fe Ciega Block M comes from the steepest part of the vineyard and vines planted in 2008. Gorgeous all around, with notions of black raspberry, cassis, crushed flowers and sappy herbs/rose petal, this medium-bodied beauty has a pure silky texture, fabulous fruit and an overall seamless, elegant style. Drink it over the coming 4-5 years." - Jeb Dunnuck

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# 2012 PINOT NOIR, LA ENCANTADA VINEYARD, STA. RITA HILLS

"The 2012 Pinot Noir La Encantada Vineyard is a mineral-driven effort that needs another year in bottle to round into form (which is atypical in the vintage). Smoke, sweet oak, scorched earth and ripe Pinot Noir fruit all give way to a medium-bodied, concentrated feel on the palate. It's an outstanding bottle of wine that should be at its best from 2015-2019." - Jeb Dunnuck