

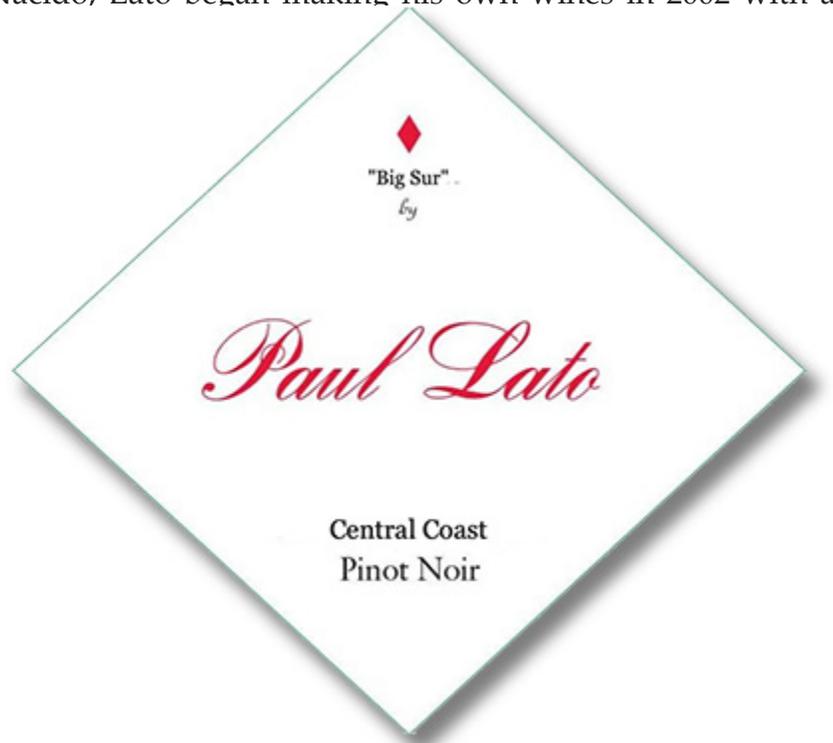
## PAUL LATO WINES 2021 PINOT NOIR “BIG SUR” CENTRAL COAST

### TASTING NOTES:

Santa Lucia Highlands and Santa Maria Valley are perfectly suited growing regions for Pinot Noir, marked by morning fog, abundant sunshine, and constantly cool afternoon wind. These afternoon winds moderate the pace of photosynthesis and prevent the abundant morning sunshine from rushing the grapes along. While budbreak is early, the fruit matures slowly to full phenolic ripeness in late September or October due to the cooling winds and fog from the ocean. The result: rich, silky, and vibrant wines that are delicious at release and able to go the distance in the cellar. This wine was made from Pisoni and Solomon Hills vineyards and was fermented without stems for 16 months in 35% new French Oak. .

### WINERY INFO:

Born in Poland, Paul Lato was a successful sommelier in Toronto, but harbored a dream of becoming a winemaker. After short stints working for Jim Clendenen (proprietor of famed California Pinot pioneer Au Bon Climat) and as a cellar-rat at Bien Nacido, Lato began making his own wines in 2002 with a scant 500 cases of Pinot Noir and Syrah (two notoriously difficult grapes to work with). Fast forward two decades and Paul Lato Winery is now widely considered one of California’s top producers of Burgundian and Rhone varietals. Producing from a number of superb vineyard sites across California’s Central Coast, Lato’s wines routinely garner excellent scores from many of the wine world’s most revered critics.



### WINE STATS:

**Clones:** 667, 115

**Aging:** 16 months French oak (35% new)

**Alcohol:** 14.1%

**Production:** 125 cases

**Regular Price. . . \$58.99 CLUB CRUSH PRICE. . . \$53.09**

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## BRICK HOUSE WINES 2022 'SELECT' PINOT NOIR RIBBON RIDGE, WILLAMETTE VALLEY

### TASTING NOTES:

The 2022 Pinot Noir Select is wonderfully perfumed with spice-tinged red berries, cloves and dusty flowers. This is juicy and energetic on the palate, with raspberry and cherry depths slowly saturating the senses. This finishes long and sapid with fine tannins framing exotic spices and inner florals, all enlivened by a bump of residual acidity. A long, warm summer growing season of 2022 enriched this wine. The fruit was harvested nearly 120 days after the vines flowered - an unusually long time on the vine; contributing length and complexity to the resulting wine. Dominated by red fruit characteristics: bright cranberry, pie cherry and raspberry notes give the wine distinct freshness and complexity.

### WINERY INFO:

Brick House Wine Co. offers wines distinguished by both the elegance and the simplicity of the old ways. All Brick House wines are grown on our forty acre farm, the product of low yielding vines handled with great care. The farm was certified organic in 1990 and Biodynamic by Demeter USA in 2005. Our vineyards are planted to the three traditional varieties of Burgundy: Pinot noir, Chardonnay and Gamay noir.

The Select is an estate-grown Pinot Noir derived from the first round of barrel selections. As a snapshot of our vineyard, this wine includes fruit from all of our pinot noir blocks. Approachable in its youth, this wine is intended to be a reliable and versatile offering.

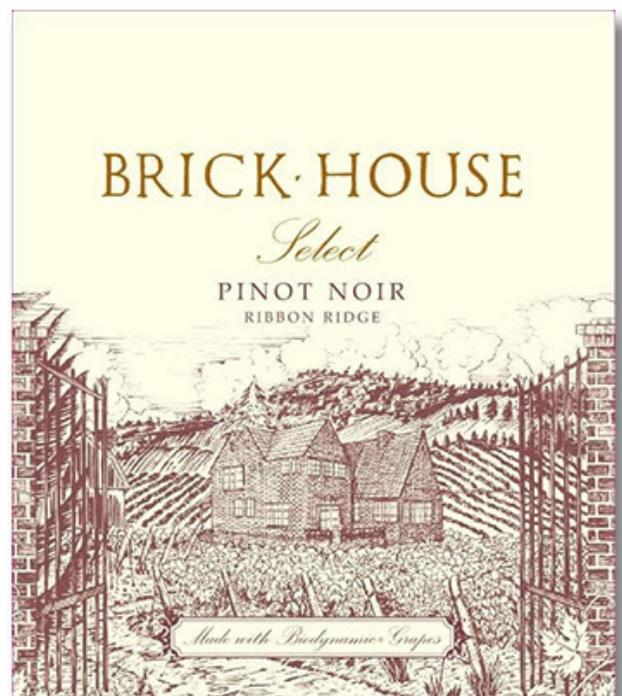
### WINE STATS:

**Clones:** Dijon, 113, 114, 115, Pommard

**Aging:** 11 mo. in French oak (25% new)

**Alcohol:** 13%

**Production:** 680 cases



**Regular Price. . . . \$46.99 CLUB CRUSH PRICE. . . . \$42.29**

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