

KEN BROWN



W I N E S

THE FOCUS at Ken Brown Wines is on very small lots of Pinot Noir from the finest vineyards of Sta. Rita Hills in Santa Barbara County. The wines are hand crafted by legendary winemaker Ken Brown (Byron Kent Brown), and most lots consist of 250 cases or less. Ken works with growers, many of whom he has known for years, to hand select vineyard blocks for each program. He also produces limited bottlings of Syrah and Chardonnay. Ken, his wife, Deborah, and their small staff enjoy close relationships with the wines and their customers.

Most of Ken's career has been spent pursuing the elusive traits that make great Pinot Noir. From his early days as founding winemaker at Zaca Mesa Winery to his 20-year tenure at Byron Vineyard to the small family operation at Ken Brown Wines, Ken has continued to experiment with clones, rootstocks and winemaking techniques, exploring the tremendous potential for Pinot Noir in Santa Barbara County. Ken is recognized as one of the region's pioneering winemakers and innovators and was among the first vintners to realize the great promise for Pinot Noir and Chardonnay in this cool-climate appellation in the mid-1970s. While Ken has played a large role in the extraordinary progression of Pinot Noir quality in the past three decades, experience tells him great achievements still lie ahead and it is in that spirit that he continues the quest for the next echelon of quality in Pinot Noir.

VARIETALS PRODUCED: Pinot Noir, Syrah, Chardonnay

APPELLATIONS: Sta. Rita Hills, Santa Ynez Valley, Los Alamos Valley

VINEYARDS SOURCED:

Chapel Vineyard	Radian Vineyard
John Sebastiano	Rita's Crown Vineyard
La Encantada Vineyard	Sanford & Benedict Vineyard
La Rinconada Vineyard	Thompson Vineyard
Peake Vineyard	Watch Hill Vineyard
Rancho La Viña	Zaca Mesa Vineyard

YEAR FOUNDED: 2003

CASE PRODUCTION: 2,000 cases annually

TASTING ROOM: Located at 157 W. Highway 246 in Buellton at the gateway to the Sta. Rita Hills. The decor features stunning vineyard images of renowned photographer Randy Leffingwell, showcasing the vineyards where the wines originate. Open Thursday through Monday 11:00 to 4:30 pm.
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