

RED • CAR

WEST SONOMA COAST

2011 VIVIO VINEYARD

SYRAH

➤ ELEV. 730 FT. / PACIFIC OCEAN 19 MI.

BENNETT VALLEY

➤ VIVIO VINEYARD

The 2011 Vivio Syrah hails from Sonoma County's Bennett Valley appellation. While the soils of our more coastal vineyards are dominated by marine sandstone, this area is all about prehistoric volcanoes. With veins of red lava rock in the sub-soil, this vineyard provides a signature volcanic profile and laser beam focus. Located at the eastern edge of the Petaluma wind gap, its climate is nevertheless determined by the cool coastal fogs that blanket the area for hours most days. We have long made a Syrah from this vineyard, most recently as part of Cuvee 22, but this is the first vintage to go it alone under its own moniker.

➤ TASTE

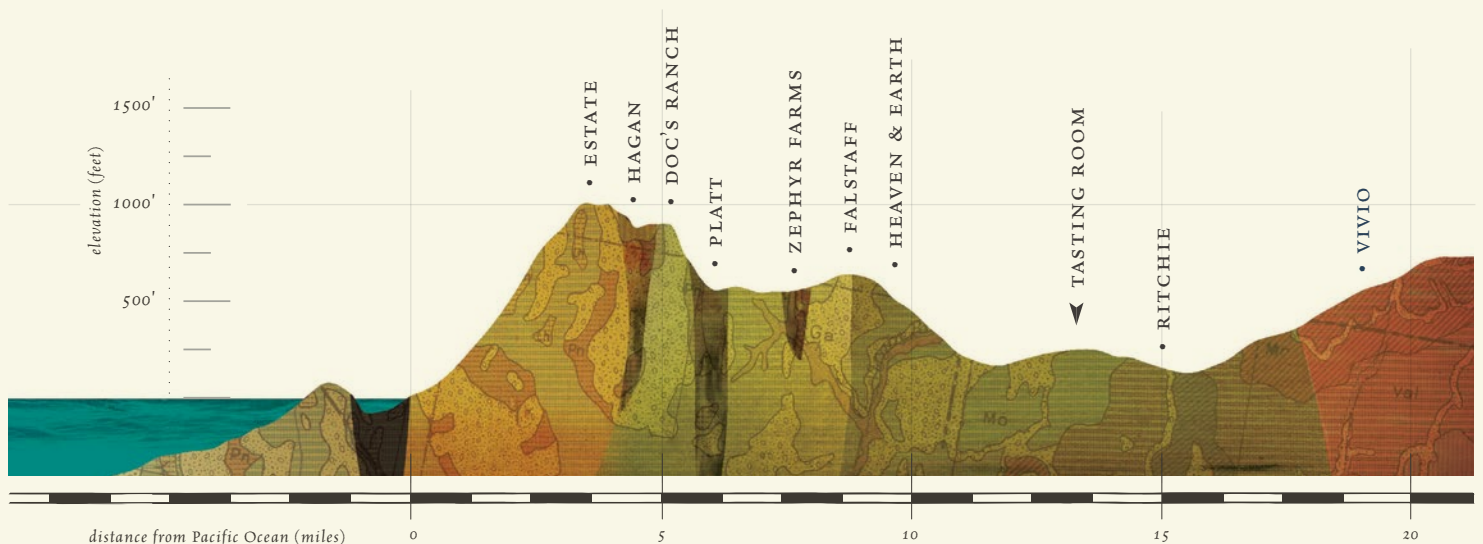
Violets, black licorice, currants, iron

➤ PHILOSOPHY

Red Car is focused on growing Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Syrah in a network of cold-climate vineyards on the edge of the Pacific in the West Sonoma Coast. We are hands-on farmers, part of a small cadre of wineries in our region who are fortunate to grow a large majority of our own fruit. For several years now we have worked hard to go beyond sustainability and have integrated the concepts and principles of organic, biodynamic and permaculture systems into our farming as we search for nature's ideal pathways. Our wines are made in small lots utilizing minimalist intervention techniques like native yeast fermentation, gravity flow, and natural acid.

➤ SPECS

ALCOHOL	13.4%
VINEYARD	<i>Vivio</i>
AVA	<i>Bennett Valley</i>
PRODUCTION	100 Cases
AVERAGE BRIX	22.5°
TOTAL ACIDITY	5.2 g/L
STEMS	15%
FRENCH OAK	40% <i>New</i> , 60% <i>Neutral</i>
pH LEVEL	3.80
CLONES	<i>Alban, RR</i>
SOIL TYPE	<i>Sonoma Volcanics</i>
BARREL AGING	18 Months



VINEYARDS on the EDGE OF THE PACIFIC

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