

### LUCAS&LEWELLEN

## 2017 HIDDEN ASSET – RED WINE SANTA YNEZ VALLEY

# Estate Vineyards



WINE DATA <u>Producer</u>

Lucas & Lewellen

Region Santa Barbara County

> State California

<u>Country</u> USA

Wine Composition

32.5% Malbec 30% Merlot 26% Syrah 9% Petite Sirah 2.5% Cab Franc Alcohol 14.1 % Total Acidity 6.04 G/L pH 3.69

### **DESCRIPTION**

Choice lots of Malbec, Merlot, Syrah, Petite Sirah, and Cabernet Franc were blended into Hidden Asset – a complex, rich, silky and elegant wine. Aromas and flavors include raspberry and pomegranate with a hint of spice. The wine is lush and jammy with velvety chocolate tannins and a lingering finish.

### WINEMAKER NOTES

The vineyards of Lucas & Lewellen are located in the three principal wine grape growing regions of Santa Barbara County: the Santa Maria Valley, the Los Alamos Valley and the Santa Ynez Valley. These valley vineyards benefit from a transverse mountain range topography, an east-west orientation which channels cool ocean air from the Pacific into the coastal valleys. Warm days and cool nights produce a long, gentle growing season. Cote del Sol is crafted from grapes grown in the Valley View Vineyard.

Los Alamos Vineyard: Santa Barbara County AVA, 280 acres. This vineyard was originally planted from cuttings brought over from Europe more than 40 years ago. Located in a valley on an alluvial fan consisting of well-drained, moderately acidic, clay loam soils, with up to 25% shale fragments, it is ideal for growing Rhone, Burgundian and Piedmontese varieties.

### **SERVING HINTS**

Serve at room temperature with red meats, beef stew, lamb or various other hearty dishes.