

## 2021 Meso by LXV Syrah, Bien Nacido

Block 11, Bien Nacido Vineyard · Santa Maria Valley AVA · 100% Syrah

RETAIL \$150	CASES 100	ALCOHOL 15.1%	PH 3.52	WINEMAKERS Jeff Streckas & Frédéric Ammons
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### TASTING NOTES

**COLOR** Deep ruby red with a dark purple hue.

**NOSE** Intense blackberry and violet aromas with hints of black pepper.

**PALATE** Rich and velvety, showcasing ripe black cherry, plum, and a touch of smoky oak. Balanced acidity with silky tannins.

95 WINE ENTHUSIAST Matt Kettman · May 2024

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### VINEYARD

Bien Nacido, Block 11b, Santa Maria Valley AVA. Block 11b planted in 1997 to Baja clone Syrah on 5C rootstock. The gentle, north-facing slope minimizes hot afternoon sun, yielding expressive savory, peppery, dark-fruit character.

YIELD 3.8 tons/acre

BRUX AT HARVEST 24

HARVEST DATE October 22

### WINEMAKING AND ELEVAGE

Harvested early in the morning and processed cold into a jacketed stainless steel tank. Fermented and macerated on skins for 19 days before pressing to barrel. Aged in two new Ermitage 500L French oak puncheons (both medium-plus toast, 100% from the Bertranges forest) for 20 months. Unfiltered and unfined.