

# 2016

## Niclaire

Dark red color. The aroma profile is comprised of fruit, floral, and spice. While shy at first this youthful Pinot Noir blend shows red cherry, anise, lemon-zest, crème brulee, and boysenberry. After some time, notes of violets, jasmine, and cloves round out the profile. As this wine flows into the palate these profiles remain consistent and equal in balance. The mouthfeel showcases a voluptuous and lively touch, while maintaining harmony with intensity of texture and flavors. This youthful, plush, and hedonistic blend should continue to deliver enjoyment for many years to come.

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### 2016 NICLAIRE PINOT NOIR

BARREL	VINEYARD (CLONE)	COOPER	TYPE
16351	Brosseau (113)	Mercurey	Light and Long
16327	Doctor's (777)	Mercurey	Light and Long
15024	Doctor's (Calera)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
15320	Doctor's (Calera)	Mercurey	Light and Long
15029	Doctor's (Calera)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
14331	Doctor's (Calera)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
15319	Doctor's (Calera)	Mercurey	Light and Long
15304	Fogstone (667)	Bel Air	Medium Long
16105	Garys' (Pisoni)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
16112	Garys' (Pisoni)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast Plus
15177	La Rinconada (4)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
15185	La Rinconada (4)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
15197	Pisoni (Pisoni)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
16096	Rincon (777)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
16030	Rosella's (Pisoni)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
16123	Rosella's (Pisoni)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
16004	Sanford & Benedict (115)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
16093	Sanford & Benedict (Calera)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast Plus
16186	Soberanes (Pisoni)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
16081	Tondre (777)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
15275	Tondre (777)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
15053	Tondre (Pommard)	Remond	Medium Toast Long

TWENTY TWO BARRELS, 50% NEW OAK, BOTTLED ON APRIL 12, 2018



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## THANK YOU FOR BEING MEMBERS OF OUR MOST ELITE CLUB AT TESTAROSSA

As we join together to celebrate Testarossa Winery's 25th Anniversary we would like to sincerely thank you for your support and patronage over the years.

Our first reserve blend, the 1997 (Cuvée) Niclaire Pinot Noir was first released in 1999, followed in 2003 by our first Dianas (Reserve) Chardonnay. With every year that goes by, we strive to continue to make our very best wine and make Testarossa Winery in Los Gatos, and our Carmel Valley Tasting Room, your favorite places to spend time with family and friends.

We would also like to thank our winemaking team lead by Bill Brosseau, for consistently delivering excellence, as well as the entire Testarossa team for putting you, our cherished club members, first

*Rob & Diana Jensen  
Founders and Proprietors*



The name Niclaire comes from the joining of our two children's names, Nick, born the same year we founded Testarossa, and Claire, two-and-a-half years his junior.

The Diana's Chardonnay, named after the family matriarch and winery co-founder, followed six years later. This Chardonnay is the perfect pair to our Niclaire Pinot Noir and both wines have received consistently outstanding scores since their first release in 1997

## Diana's



Medium yellow color. Engaging scents of grapefruit, passionfruit, honey, ripe fig, and ripe apricot. With light aeration, notes of lemon-zest, apple, and mango round out this multi-vineyard blend.

Upon taste, grapefruit, passion fruit, and mango concentrate while the other elements grow more subtle. This Chardonnay exhibits brilliant spirit with fresh, creamy, and dense textural complexity. This wine finishes with a long, lingering story of pleasure.

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### 2016 DIANA'S CHARDONNAY

BARREL	VINEYARD (CLONE)	COOPER	TYPE
16330	Fogstone (15)	Mercurey	Light and Long
15327	Fogstone (15)	Mercurey	Light and Long
11274	Fogstone (4)	Cadus	Medium Toast
16453	Soberanes (Wente)	Cadus	Medium
16354	Brosseau (Wente)	Mercurey	Light and Fruity
15210	Sierra Madre (15)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
16159	La Rinconada (15)	Francois Frere	Medium Plus
13154	Rosella's (96)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
13206	Rosella's (96)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
16238	Rosella's (76)	Francois Frere	Medium Plus
15492	Rincon (4)	Demptos	Medium Toast
16260	Rosemary's (96)	Seguin Moreau	Medium Long
16063	Lone Oak (Wente)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
16366	Sierra Madre (15)	Bel Air	Medium Long
16232	Sanford & Benedict (Wente)	Francois Frere	Medium Toast
15030	La Rinconada (Wente)	Remond	Medium Toast Long
14228	Soberanes (Wente)	Cadus	Medium Slow Extraction

SEVENTEEN BARRELS, 53% NEW OAK, BOTTLED ON APRIL 11, 2018



So what's new with the Jensen family this year? Lots! Claire, our youngest, is graduating in June from SCU with a degree in Accounting. She is "excited" about taking on the challenges of the "real world." Actually she is understandably both nervous and excited, as we all were at this same time of life. It is hard to believe that both Claire and her brother Nick are college graduates and off into the world starting and advancing their careers!



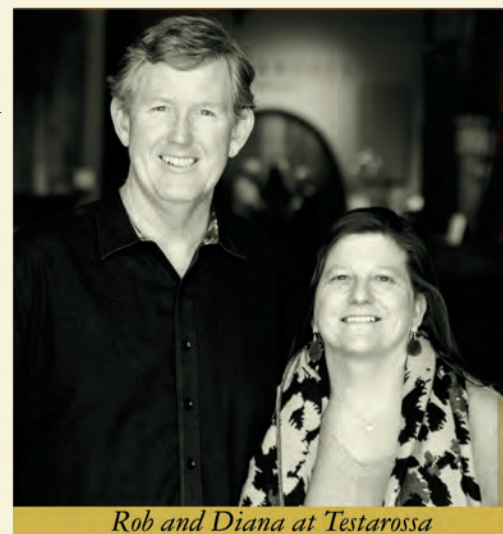
Nick and Claire in San Diego

It has now been three years since Nick graduated from SCU with his degree in Civil Engineering. He loves his work in construction management at DevCon Construction – whose owners also own the Fogstone Vineyard, a component of both of this year's JRS releases! As his sister moves home to save money and pay down student loans, Nick is now renting a home with college classmates in Santa Clara. His love of building projects has now extended to the water. Earlier this spring, he purchased a 30 year old sailboat that is in strong structural shape, but every single cosmetic surface needs to be cleaned, painted, sanded, re-stained, or replaced. He berths his 30' "yacht" at Coyote Point Marina in San Mateo. This past April we had a great time sailing his new prize (which he paid less than what I paid for my specialized bicycle) from Sausalito to its new home berth in San Mateo. The views of the Golden Gate Bridge, waterfront of San Francisco, Alcatraz, AT&T Park and the new Chase Center construction were spectacular from the water as the wind pushed us southward.

Diana has completed her first year as a Court Appointed Special Advocate (CASA). Her volunteer position focused on helping and mentoring foster youth in Santa Clara County. She has continued her part time work at the winery focusing on long term strategic planning. It is great to have her back and working to ensure a strong future for Testarossa, and of course, many more decades of delicious wines and fun experiences. As always, Diana's main passion is cooking for her family and friends!

I continue to love the challenges of running the winery. Long time members often refer to me as a modern day Sarah Winchester because I am always coming up with new projects for our team to build. Our internal joke name for the winery is the Winchester Mystery Winery! Our latest projects include the creation and building of our new Welcome Centers in Los Gatos, consulting on the new layout of our Tasting Room in Carmel Valley, restoration of an old wine cellar on the second floor of the winery into a new Specialty/Private Tasting Cellar. We also have made new and exciting improvements to the JRS Terrace Still Room for expanded seating for JRS and Platinum Club Testarossa Members.

Outside the winery I completed my sixth and final year as a member of the Board of Directors at my High School Alma Mater, St. Francis High School in Mountain View. Lots of work, but a very rewarding volunteer position!



Rob and Diana at Testarossa

When I'm not at the winery I spend as much time as I can riding my road and mountain bikes with friends and the Los Gatos Bicycle Racing Club. With so many exciting things going on at the winery Diana and I look forward to being "bored" at home where I love to garden, she loves to cook, and we both love hanging out with family, including our two 8 year old Yellow Labradors, Rusty and (the) Boss.

This summer, we are again doing our seventh annual Lake Tahoe cycling circumnavigation of the lake (72 miles) trip. Five families are joining us for seven relaxing days that include the bike ride around the lake, boating, river rafting, and our third annual 27 hole golf tournament (18 holes of miniature golf followed by 9 holes covering 3,000 yards at the historic Old Brockway golf course). Total combined 27 hole score wins bragging rights for the year!

From our family to yours, we sincerely appreciate your support of our wines and our winery family!

Rob, Diana, Nick and Claire

## Niclaire

**2011** 92 POINTS/ROBERT PARKER

Floral aromas of raspberry and cherry are complicated by rose, cinnamon and pungent herbs. Gains weight and flesh with ai, with no loss of clarity or verve. Silky tannins add shape to the long, spicy finish, which echoes the floral note. Distinctly elegant pinot, with some time to unwind.

**2012** 94 POINTS/ROBERT PARKER

A gorgeous, rich and layered effort that knocks it out of the park with its cassis and blackberry, vanilla bean and licorice aromas and flavors. Medium to full-bodied and concentrated, with great texture, it should evolve nicely for just under a decade.

**2013** 93 POINTS/ROBERT PARKER

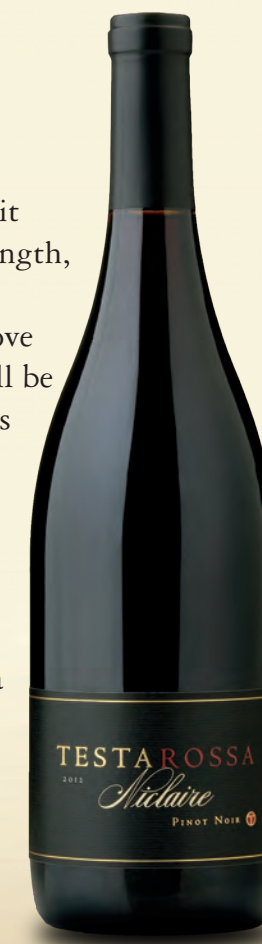
Another fresh, lively, medium to full-bodied effort. Cassis, black raspberry, sappy underbrush and spice-box all flow from this pure, lively and balanced 2013, and it has nicely integrated tannin and good acidity. Drink it anytime over the coming 6-7 years.

**2014** 95 POINTS/  
CONNOISSEUR'S GUIDE

Infused with a wealth of very rich oak, it remains solidly fruity throughout its length, and, while a big, mouthfilling wine of immense stuffing, it is certain to improve for many years. Its riveting richness will be met by refinement as time slowly passes

**2015** 96 POINTS/  
CONNOISSEUR'S GUIDE

It teases with succulent cherries on the nose and what follows on the palate is a very solid, impeccably balanced wine that lives up to its aromatic promises of purity and depth, but is still in its infancy and demanding of age. If another two years seems a minimum wait, we would opt for at least five.



## Diana's

**2011** 93 POINTS/WINE ENTHUSIAST

Extravagant in tangerine, mango, peach and oak flavors, with 'leesy' notes of yeast, new oak and buttered toast. Brisk acidity, it's a rich wine that should be enjoyed now.

**2012** 94 POINTS/  
CONNOISSEUR'S GUIDE

It is rich and wonderfully layered and it seamlessly marries its creamy oak and very deep, keenly defined fruit. It is replete with complex touches of minerals, freshly baked bread and notes of pie-crust sweetness. Full-bodied, with a striking sense of vitality, balance and length, it will continue to evolve and become more impressive with age.

**2013** 94 POINTS/ROBERT PARKER

Beautiful lemon rind, citrus blossom, honeysuckle and hints of toasted bread, it is medium-bodied, firm and crisp on the palate, with fabulous purity and precision. This is pure class, and I suspect will drink nicely for at least another 7-8 years.

**2014** 94 POINTS/  
WINE ENTHUSIAST

Excels on all fronts, showing lemon peels, browned butter, creamy lily and pan-seared apples on the light, crisp yet savory nose. The mouthfeel is rich but decorated with a zesty line of salty acidity that cuts through the lemon-curd flavors.

**2015** 94 POINTS/  
ROBERT PARKER

Wonderfully gregarious nose of guava, pineapple, ripe peaches and pink grapefruit plus supporting notions of spice box, candied ginger and toasted nuts, it is tightly wound in the mouth, offering glimpses at tropical and savory layers, finishing long and vibrant

