

# Gainey Estate St. Rita Hills Syrah

## THE FACTS

**COUNTRY:** USA - CA

**REGION:** Santa Barbara County

**APPELLATION:** Sta. Rita Hills

**CEPAGE:** 100% Syrah

**ALCOHOL BY VOLUME:** 14.2%

**AGING:** 16 months in 80% neutral oak, 20% new French oak

## THE STORY

Gainey Vineyard is the culmination of a family heritage that runs deep in the Santa Barbara wine country. Gainey's story in the Santa Ynez Valley begins more than 60 years ago when the Gainey family, acquired 1,800 acres of undeveloped land. In 1984, vines were planted and Gainey Vineyard was born. We now have over 60 acres of vineyard at the "Home Ranch" and have since acquired two additional estate vineyards of 100 acres in the Santa Rita Hills.

We are proudly one of the founding families in the valley and are still 100% family owned and operated for 4 generations.

**PHILOSOPHY:** "Winemaking is first & foremost an artistic pursuit. A creative process sharpened by intuition, sensitivity, & a deep connection to the vineyard." - Jeff Lebard

## THE ADJECTIVES

**OVERALL:** Sophisticated with Mediterranean aromas

**AROMAS / FLAVORS:** Black olive, white pepper, rosemary, purple flowers, leather, earth

**MOUThFEEL:** Round and generous

## THE SELLING POINTS

**AWARDS:** 93pts Wine Enthusiast

**SUSTAINABILITY:** Sustainable In Practice

**PAIRINGS:** Roast meats (especially lamb) and vegetables

