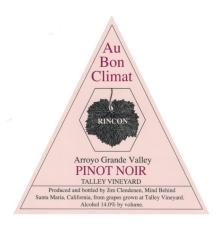


Jim Clendenen, the Mind Behind Au Bon Climat, is one of the founding winemakers in Santa Barbara County. He has been making benchmark wines under his own label since 1982. Although Jim owns his own vineyard, Le Bon Climat, at the Southern end of the Santa Maria Valley, he also sources grapes from many of the most historically significant vineyards throughout the Santa Barbara County and beyond. Jim specializes in crafting well-balanced artisan quality Chardonnay and Pinot Noir.



Au Bon Climat "Talley Rincon Vineyard" Pinot Noir

Arroyo Grande, California

- The fruit for this wine sourced 100% from the Talley Vineyard in the Arroyo Grande Valley, which is a southeast facing site planted with Pinot Noir clone 2A.
- The fruit is fermented in open top tanks with about 50% whole-clusters, which receive daily manual punch downs.
- The fruit is then pressed and transferred to Francois Freres French oak barrels, about 80% new, and aged for 18 months.
- The wine is lightly fined with egg whites as needed and bottled unfiltered.