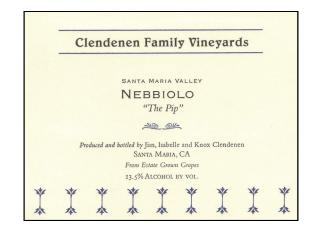
Clendenen Family Vineyards

Jim Clendenen introduced the **Clendenen Family Vineyards** label in 2000 to explore making experimental wines from unique varietals grown primarily on Jim's own organically farmed Le Bon Climat Vineyard. The project has since expanded to include special plantings at his Rancho La Cuna Vineyard and Bien Nacido Vineyard, as well as other historic vineyard sites in Santa Barbara County.



Clendenen Family 2012 "The Pip" Nebbiolo

"Bien Nacido Vineyard" Santa Maria Valley, California

- Sourced from a 16 acre site planted at Bien Nacido Vineyard in 1994 under Jim Clendenen's direction. The site is cool, breezy, and on a hillside where the soil is gravelly and shallow—all contributing to the intensity of the fruit.
- These plantings were originally part of an Italian varietal project Jim had called Il Podere
- "The Pip" Nebbiolo was introduced for declassified vintages of Jim's "Bricco Buon Natale" Nebbiolo program. Vintages that do not express quite the intensity of structure and age worthiness that Jim demands for is "Bricco Buon Natale" Nebbiolo.
- The 2012 was aged 5 years in 500L Hungarian oak puncheons.
- "The Pip" series is named in homage to Jim's deceased, amazing Border Collie "Pip", former winery mascot.