

Sommeliers of the American Riviera

2026 Review
Sta. Rita Hills AVA

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Baltazar Family
2024 Rio Vista, Chardonnay

This wine exhibits flavors and aromas of lemon, apricot, peach, pear, muddled apple, orange candy, banana, sea salt, clove, jasmine, blue iris, rose hips and orange oil with a faint mintiness. Light yellow in color with golden hues, this wine showcases ripe fruit and spice with an ever-present acidity that is complimented by salty creaminess.

Winemaker: **André Baltazar**

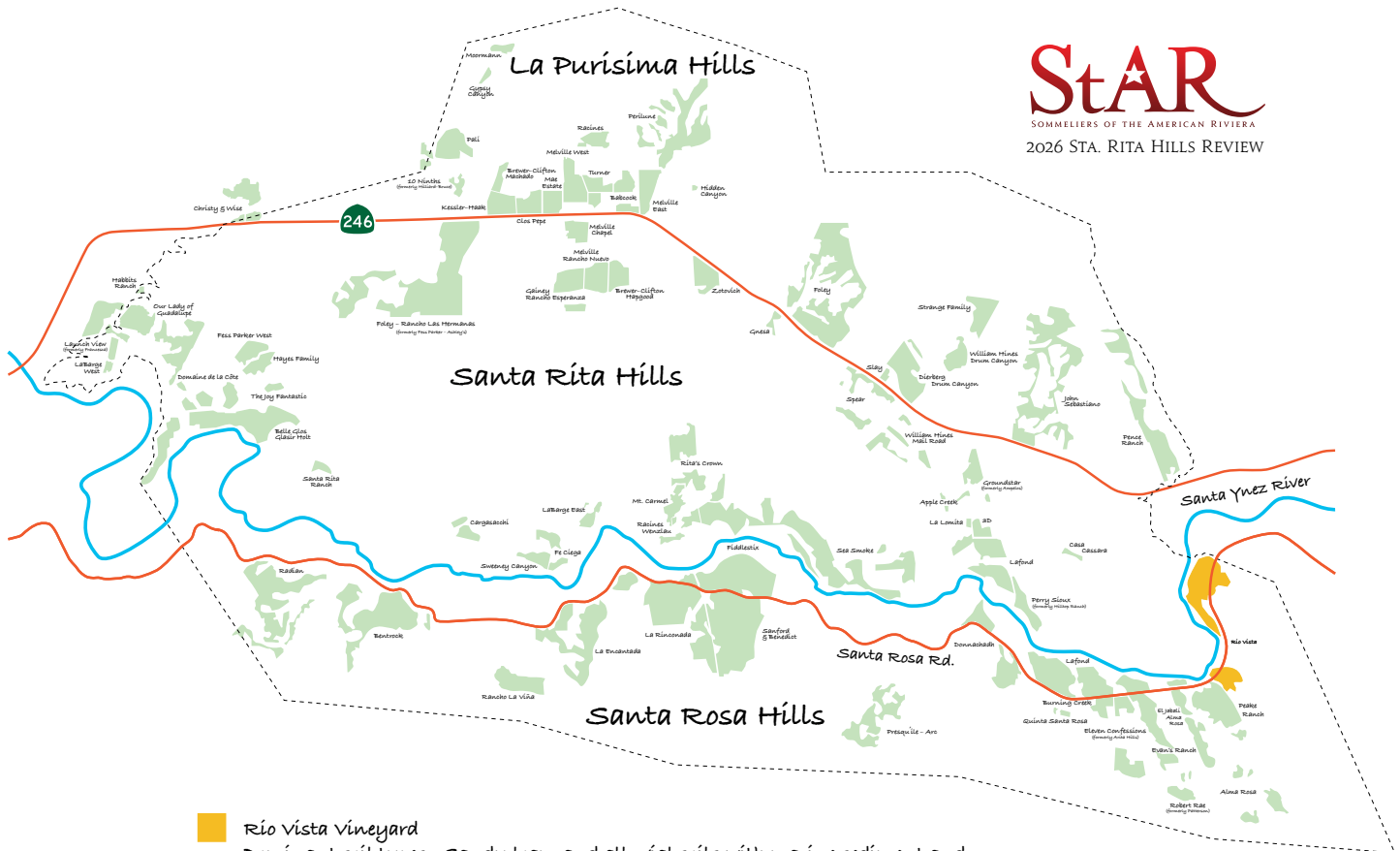
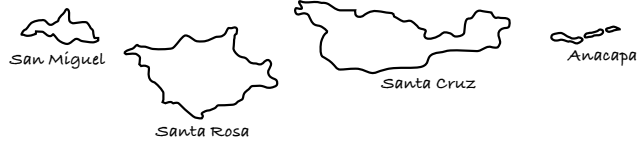
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1. Santa Maria valley AVA
2. Santa Ynez valley AVA
3. **Sta. Rita Hills AVA**
4. Happy Canyon of Santa Barbara AVA
5. Ballard Canyon AVA
6. Los Olivos District AVA
7. Alisos Canyon AVA



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Río Vista vineyard
Dominant soil types : Sandy loam and alluvial soils with marine sediment and a high concentration of limestone deposits.