

Sommeliers of the American Riviera

2026 Review
Sta. Rita Hills AVA

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The Set
2024 William Hines, Chardonnay

This wine exhibits flavors and aromas of lemon, lime, apricot, peach, pear, yellow apple, gala apple, pineapple, papaya, star fruit, candied orange, rainier cherry, sea salt, caramel, bread pudding, lemon bars, creme fraiche, orange oil, tarragon, flint and wet stone. Light yellow in color with golden hues, this wine showcases high aromatic intensity, youthful and ripe fruit with vibrant minerality and juicy acidity that is complimented by salty creaminess and a long finish. Great complexity and focus with a sense of place. Exceptional!

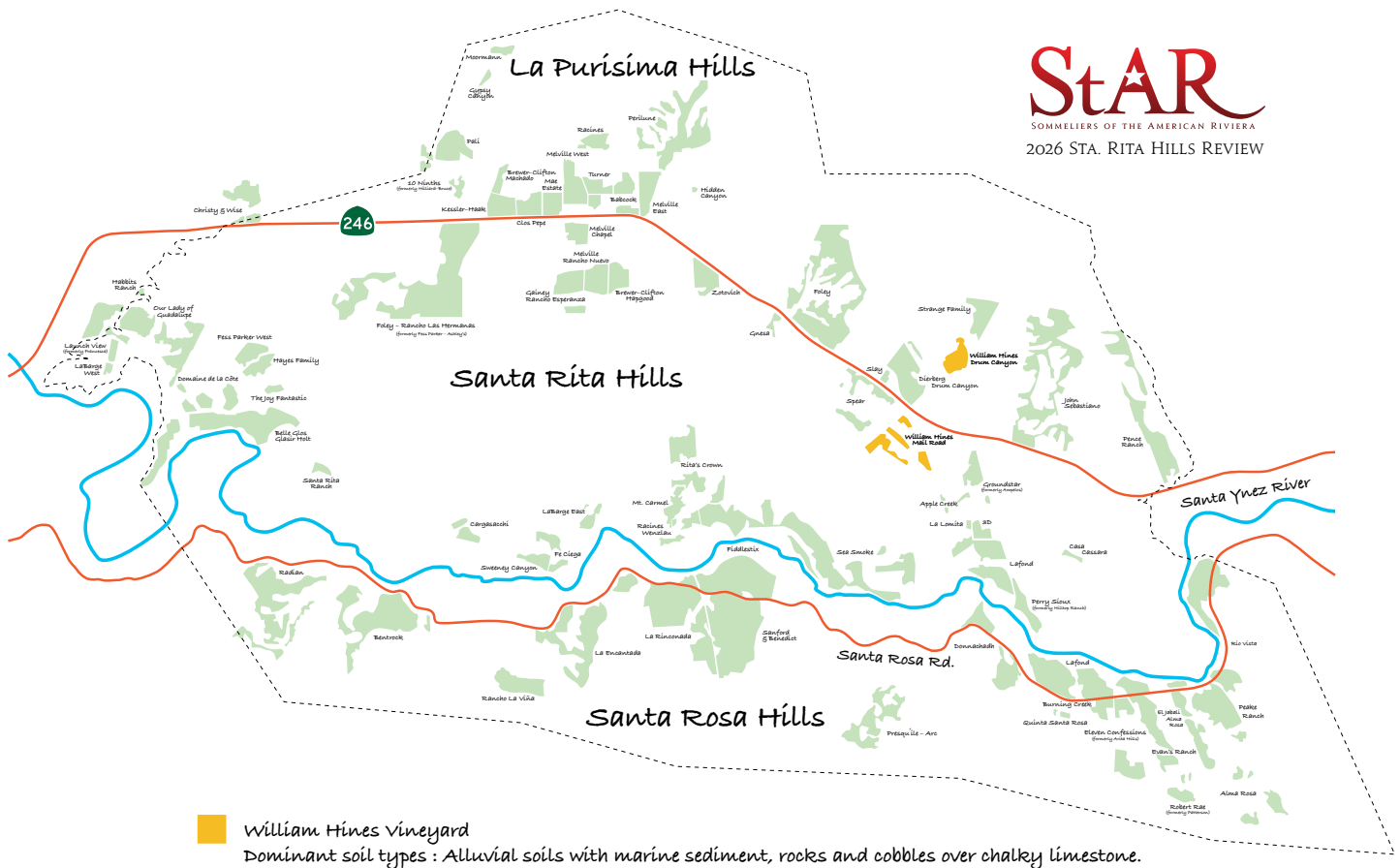
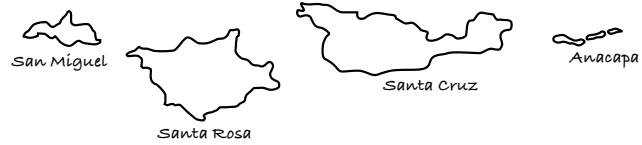
Winemakers: **Chris Hines**
and **DJ Bilsky**

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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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2026 STA. RITA HILLS REVIEW

 William Hines vineyard
Dominant soil types : Alluvial soils with marine sediment, rocks and cobbles over chalky limestone.