

# 2018 California Rosé

Crafted to appeal to those who love a great Provencal-style Rosé, but with a Goldeneye twist, this Pinot Noir-based Rosé is vibrant and versatile, with enticing aromatics, pure strawberry flavors and a bright, refreshing finish. An exceptional food wine, it pairs wonderfully with an array of cuisines, or may be enjoyed all on its own as an apéritif. While this wine is beautiful in its youth, like the finest Rosés, it also possesses the complexity and structure to reward cellaring.

# In the Vineyards

The 2018 growing season began with a cool winter, and just enough rain to replenish the vineyards. A temperate spring followed by mild weather throughout the summer allowed the grapes to ripen at a very measured pace, something we love to see in our vineyards. After several years of early harvests, the relatively mild weather and a healthy sized crop led to a return to more normal harvest times. After enjoying abundant hangtime to fully ripen, the quality of the grapes was extremely impressive. Overall, our 2018 Rosé shows an ideal combination of lovely fruit-forward flavors and elegance.

# Comments from the Winemaker

This lush and alluring rosé displays tantalizing stone fruit aromas of warm peach and Asian pear, along with layers of strawberry compote and honeysuckle. Though silky and mouthcoating on the palate, a streak of lingering acidity adds poise and freshness, while carrying the wine to a juicy ripe peach and red berry finish.

### Varietal Content

100% Pinot Noir

### Harvest Information

Appellation: California Harvest Dates: September 13 – September 20 Average Sugar at Harvest: 23.0° Brix

### Cooperage

100% stainless steel Barrel Aging: 4 months

### **Production and Technical Data**

Alcohol: 13.0% 0.760 g/100 ml titratable acidity 20 days fermentation at 52°F pH: 3.46

