



Wine Tech Notes

2016 Rosé

790 cases produced • 13.3% Alc. By Vol.

Tasting Notes

Our creation of this wine is in direct response to our love of crisp, dry Rosé. The color is a striking pale salmon pink with pure aromas of early spring strawberries, and flavors of citrus zest and watermelon. Delightfully fresh, complex and focused, this is a most versatile and food friendly wine. Finishing completely dry, this is as serious as Rosé gets.



Harvest Notes

- Vineyard:** McKinley Springs
- Appellation:** Horse Heaven Hills
- Varietals:** 35% Cinsault / 35% Grenache / 30% Mourvedre

Vineyards

McKinley Springs Vineyard is Planted at 1,100 feet in elevation on Warden sandy silt loam soils with north south row orientation, the canopy is trained to Vertical Shoot Positioning with the west side left to “flop” to protect the grapes from the hot afternoon sun. Shoot thinning and green thinning occur to ensure an even intense crop. Perhaps it is the elevation, or the soils, but this vineyard gives us some of the best balanced fruit we work with.

Vinification

The fruit was hand harvested and transported to the winery in the early morning. The grapes were harvested specifically for rose production and were picked at lower brix. All grapes were whole cluster pressed and racked to a stainless tank. Native fermentation. No malolactic fermentation or lees contact. Bottled March 1, 2017.