



## **2016 Estate Pinot Noir - Rosé** *Sta. Rita Hills*

Our Rosé of Pinot Noir is a very exciting marker of spring here at the winery. Just like in previous vintages, we selected clone 113 pinot noir from a block just behind the winery to create this wine. The fruit was loaded directly into the press which simply tumbled and drained for several hours allowing only “free run” juice to pass through. From that point, the juice fermented in our cold room in a combination of stainless steel and neutral oak with no lees disturbance and inhibited malo-lactic. The goal of such an approach is a wine of very delicate color with the bright and nuanced characteristics of this high toned and aromatic clone of pinot noir.

**tasting notes:** *Pale salmon in color, with delicate and heightened nuances of honeydew melon, strawberry creamsicle and grilled peach emerging up front. In the background tender notes of blood orange and pineapple mingle with lofty impressions of pink grapefruit, rose water and green tea. Boasting an elegant and supple mouthfeel along with brilliant acidity, the wine finishes with magnificent clarity and verve.*

AVA: Sta. Rita Hills  
Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir  
Cases Produced: 169  
Clone: 113  
Elevage: stainless steel and neutral oak  
Alcohol: 13.4%  
Release Date: April, 2017