

2015 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: Corral gold in color, with intriguing aromatic depth up front. Tender notes of kiwi, lime drizzle and strawberry shaved ice come through initially, while components of hibiscus, watermelon rind and rose water linger in the background. Possessing a nimble mouthfeel along with firm acidity, the wine finishes with excellent vibrance and clarity.

AVA: Sta. Rita Hills Varietal: 100% Pinot Noir Cases Produced: 230

Clone: 113

Elevage: stainless steel and neutral oak

Alcohol: 13.2%

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