

Rosé

LABEL: SMALL LOT

AVA: HORSE HEAVEN HILLS

VIN: 2022



WINEMAKER'S NOTES

Aromas of fresh strawberries, and lemon-lime are lifted with hints of white tea. The wine is sleek with bright, lively acidity. The bright, crisp, refreshing acidity brings balance and structure to this delicate light pink Rosé.

VINEYARD SOURCING

100% of the fruit for this wine came from our estate Spice Cabinet Vineyard located in the Horse Heaven Hills. This vineyard sits on a southeast slope above the Columbia River. The orientation of the block allows for morning sun exposure of the fruit, while avoiding the intense afternoon rays.

GROWING SEASON

The 2022 vintage started out cool and wet and transitioned into a hot, but brief summer with a warmer than normal late September and October. A mid-April blizzard in combination with a late start to high summer temperatures caused bud break to be behind by two to three weeks and carry all the way through harvest. The lack of end of harvest frost allowed for longer hang time and a condensed harvest into early November. The 2021 vintage brought lighter yields, while 2022 brought ample fruit.

WINEMAKING

The Grenache was machine harvested to allow for early color extraction from the skins. Once at the winery, the grapes were sent directly to the press. We allowed the grapes to sit overnight to continue to extract color from the skins. After the 24-hour soak, we drained off all the free run juice before beginning to press the grapes. The light pink free run juice was combined with the darker juice that was pressed from the skins and allowed to cold settle for 2 days. The clean juice was racked away from the settled solids and inoculated with a yeast specifically selected for Rosé. The wine was fermented cool over a period of 25 days, allowing for great aroma development.

TECHNICAL NOTES

Appellation: Horse Heaven Hills

Blend: 100% Grenache

Alcohol: 12.5%

T.A: 0.60 g/100mL

pH: 3.38

ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2022 :

Experience Rosé-99 pts, Double Gold, Best Domestic Dry

ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2021 :

Experience Rosé-90 pts, Gold

ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2020 :

Wine Press Northwest-Double Gold & Best Buy

ACCLAIM, VINTAGE 2019 :

International Pink Wine Competition-Best of Show