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## ROSÉ

## 2023 | SONOMA COUNTY

## VINIFICATION:

Our Pinot Noir grapes were carefully selected from throughout Sonoma County's premier vineyards. Once the grapes arrived at the winery, our winemaker crafted the grapes in the Provençal style: direct to press with minimal skin contact to provide a light salmon hue. We cold rested the juice on the lees prior to fermentation to release the delicate flavor compounds, then quickly followed by fermentation in 100% stainless steel to preserve the essence of the fruit to create a beautifully balanced, crisp and refreshing Rosé.

\*\* Note: During the final blending stage of the 2023 Rose our winemaker was able to utilize 100% Russian River Valley fruit to create this year's wine. While labelled Sonoma County, the 2023 is indeed 100% Russian River Valley fruit.

## VINTAGE:

The 2023 vintage is exceptional with harvest starting on August 24th marking the start of another record-breaking season. The year began with above-average rainfall and below-average temperatures, which delayed the harvest past the early-August norm of previous years. A mild spring and summer allowed for extended hang time, contributing to the exceptional quality of the fruit. Despite a late start, the cooler weather continued, providing ideal conditions for the grapes to achieve proper balance and brix. The harvest extended well into fall, with some frost concerns due to cool nights. However, the overall wet and cool weather led to a harvest that is predicted to be outstanding in both quality and quantity. The 2023 vintage will be one of the finest in years, producing wines with beautiful flavors, vibrant acidity and remarkable balance.

**WINEMAKER NOTES:** Light rosé in color, Raeburn Sonoma County Rosé begins with beautiful floral and raspberry aromas complemented by subtle Earl Grey tea notes. The palate is marked with lush flavors of strawberry hard candy, juicy watermelon and guava followed by a luxurious yet light finish.

TECHNICAL DETAILSALC: 13%PH: 3.61TA: 3.49g/LWINEMAKER: Steven UrbergVARIETAL COMPOSITION: 100% Pinot NoirAVA: Sonoma County, 100% Russian River Valley







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