

DARMS LANE

Napa Valley



2021 ROSÉ OF PINOT NOIR, NORTH COAST

VINEYARD: The 2021 Rosé of Pinot Noir is sourced from Napa Carneros and the Russian River Valley.

APPELLATION: Napa Carneros and the Russian River Valley

GROWING SEASON NOTES: Moderate winter temperatures led to Pinot Noir budbreak on the earlier side in mid-March. The year saw consistent and moderate temperatures throughout the growing season, except for a brief heat spike in mid-June, a point in the vine cycle where it helps the vine and crop acclimate to heat rather than cause damage to the vines. There were continued moderate temperatures as the grapes ripened and some warmer weather in late August and early September set the Pinot Noir up for harvesting beautiful fruit on September 11th and 17th. Crop size was below average in most locations yielding wines of very nice intensity and concentration. Overall, a great year, just wished we had more of it to share.

HARVEST DATE: Carneros September 11th and 17th, Russian River Valley September 17th

VARIETAL: 100% Pinot Noir (88% Napa Carneros and 12% Russian River Valley)

WINEMAKER: Brian Mox

BARREL AGING: 6 months in neutral French Oak. Juice was drawn off the Pinot Noir skins from two different lots about 3 hours after crushing to obtain the light pink color. The juice was barrel fermented. The wine was kept in the barrel after fermentation and aged sur lie with barrel stirring for four of the six months of aging before bottling.

TASTING NOTES: The Rosé offers aromas of bright red fruits, strawberry, cranberry, cherry pie, and floral apple blossom with notes of stone fruit. The palate exhibits flavors of strawberry, tart cherry and citrus. The wine has a lighter body with refreshing acidity, and a light creamy texture leading to a lingering finish of red fruit and citrus. Dry and not sweet, it is perfect for those light summer dishes. We hope that you enjoy!

PRODUCTION: 70 cases

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