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# Russian River Valley

VINTAGE 2023 · SONOMA COUNTY · ROSÉ OF PINOT NOIR

This Rosé of Pinot Noir embodies the distinctive qualities of the Russian River Valley, featuring a crisp mouthfeel and refreshing red berry flavors that make it the ideal companion for savoring life's cherished moments.

#### VINTAGE OBSERVATIONS

The 2023 harvest for Sonoma-Cutrer, starting later than usual, and benefited from record winter rains that revitalized the soils and promoted healthy vine growth. Cooler spring and summer temperatures allowed for gradual grape development and extended ripening, ensuring optimal maturity. As October brought warm, dry weather, the grapes reached perfect ripeness. This combination of ample water, cool growing conditions, and a warm finish resulted in a 2023 vintage with exceptional balance, complexity, and depth of flavor.

#### VINEYARD SOURCING

Vine Hill Ranch, in the heart of the Russian River Valley, features over 300 feet of elevation change and diverse soils, clones, and rootstocks that impart unique characteristics to the grapes, resulting in elegant, balanced fruit. Owsley Estate comprises ten distinct blocks of Pinot Noir, renowned for dramatic temperature shifts from warm days to cool, foggy nights, which enhance the grapes' concentrated and complex flavors.

#### WINEMAKING PROCESS

Like our previous rosé vintages, the grapes for this wine were specifically grown and harvested for optimal quality. Clusters were destemmed and pressed, allowing the juice to briefly contact the skins for the ideal pale pink color. The grapes were then gently pressed to extract the juice. Each batch of rosé was fermented separately in stainless steel tanks at low temperatures to preserve delicate aromas and flavors.

#### TASTING NOTES

This wine features a light pink salmon color and aromas of tangerine, blood orange, wild strawberry, raspberry and a hint of watermelon and hibiscus. Its crisp, refreshing mouthfeel enhances fresh red berry flavors and a sea salt minerality, culminating in a long, juicy finish. It's the perfect wine to pair with every season.

**COMPOSITION:** 100% PINOT NOIR

**FERMENTATION:** 100% TANK, 100% WHOLE CLUSTER DIRECT TO PRESS

**ALCOHOL:** 11.9% · **TOTAL ACIDITY:** 6.9 G/L · **PH:** 3.13



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