

RYLSTONE ESTATE

2016 MATCH POINT ROSÉ

DESCRIPTION

A thoroughly modern take on rosé, based upon the great work undertaken by Grand Cru Bordeaux Rosés developing the 'serious' side of the rosé category.

Match Point Rosé elegantly combines a premium terroir, careful grape selection, serious winemaking attention and time maturing on lees to produce a sensational gastronomic rosé.

Wine collaboration between Will de Beaurepaire and James Wilkinson (under the Rylstone Estate brand)

The label was designed and painted by Melbourne artist, Steve Cross.

TERROIR

The vineyard is in the hills above Rylstone in the Central Ranges of NSW with 53 hectares of vines first planted in 1998 above 600m altitude with a North-East aspect. Soil structure is sandy-loam mixed with limestone; the temperature range is as cool as Tasmania; and the climate is inland/continental creating a terroir similar to Burgundy and Champagne.

VINEYARD

Sourced from B and C Block with an average vine age of 16 years at the time of harvest.

Harvest: Individually selected parcels of Cabernet, Merlot and Petit Verdot were harvested in April 2016.

Vintage Conditions: 2016 started quite wet, requiring active trellis management, but for the final 3 months was dry and hotter than average producing a vintage approximately 2 weeks earlier than average.

VINIFICATION

100% destemmed and delicately pressed with 4 hours maceration on skins before being fermented in steel tanks.

AGING

Final maturation in steel tanks for 5 months.

TASTING NOTES

The Palate is dry and fresh with crisp acidity and cherry flavours

The Bouquet is rose petal, strawberry with a hint of dark cherry

WINE AND FOOD MATCHING

It is a perfect combination with salad Nicoise, paella or grilled chicken, fish or lamb with herbs. Similarly, it is very enjoyable with grilled fish, rustic pâtés and terrines, charcuterie boards and sheep's cheeses.

WINE TIPS

Cellaring Potential: 5 to 10 years (2021 to 2026)

Serving Temperature: 10 degrees C / 50 degrees F

VARIETAL MIX:

57% Cabernet, 37% Merlot, 5% Petit Verdot

ALCOHOL:

13.5%

BOTTLED (RELEASED):

October 2016 (October 2016)

BOTTLES PRODUCED:

15,000



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