

## 2013 Rosé of Pinot Noir

AVA: WILLAMETTE VALLEY

VARIETAL: PINOT NOIR

ELEVAGE: NEUTRAL OAK

PRODUCTION: 120 CASES

ALCOHOL: 12.2%

VINEYARDS: BISHOP CREEK, WHISTLING

RIDGE, DEUX VERT & DURANT

DRY FARMED



ALL MATELLO WINES ARE PRODUCED FROM NON-IRRIGATED FRUIT, PROVIDING SITE DRIVEN WINES WITH INDIVIDUALITY AND QUALITY INTACT.

2013 PROVIDED EXCELLENT CONDITIONS FOR MAKING ROSÉ FROM SAIGNEE.. THE FRUIT FLAVORS WERE WELL DEVELOPED AND ACIDITY STILL HIGH, WHILE ALCOHOLS ARE VERY LOW (12.2%) PROVIDING THE PERFECT COMPONENTS. THE JUICE WAS PULLED FROM FERMENTER ALMOST IMMEDIATELY AFTER PROCESSING THE FRUIT, RESULTING IN LIGHTLY COLORED JUICE. THE FINE SALMON COLOR IS THEN REFINED DURING FERMENTATION BY NATURAL ACTION FROM THE YEASTS. PRIMARY FERMENTATION TOOK PLACE IN OLDER NEUTRAL FRENCH BARRELS. ON THE LEES FOR 6 MONTHS, WE BOTTLED IN APRIL RETAINING A SMALL AMOUNT OF NATURAL CO2 FOR FRESHNESS AND THE FAINTEST HINT OF PETILLANCE.

THE SHORT PERIOD OF SKIN CONTACT FOR THIS WINE YIELDS THE PALE COPPER/SALMON COLOR OF THIS WINE. WHILE ROSÉ WINES COME IN ALL SHADES AND WEIGHTS, PINOT NOIR IS ELEMENTALLY ABOUT FINESSE AND OUR ROSÉ REFLECTS THAT BELIEF.

THE 2013 MATELLO ROSÉ HAS A WONDERFUL COMBINATION OF FLORAL NOTES (ROSES), RED BERRIES, HINTS OF PEACH, AND WATERMELON RIND IN THE NOSE. THERE IS LOVELY AROMATIC OF WHITE TEA THAT COMES AND GOES. LUSH BRIGHT RED FRUITS FILL THE MOUTH, ROUNDED OUT WITH FRESH BERRIES, AND NOTES OF SOFT CITRUS (MEYER LEMON, MANDARINS). BALANCE AND PURITY ARE EXCEPTIONAL AND SHOW THE FINESSES OF THE VINTAGE. IT'S EASY TO MISS HOW GOOD THIS WINE REALLY IS,

IT'S JUST TOO TASTY AND REFRESHING.