



## 2018 Small Lot Collection Sonoma County Rosé



### In the Vineyard

2018 was a near picture-perfect growing season that began in late February followed by a mild Spring yielding uniform grape clusters. Temperatures remained moderate to cool throughout the season with 2018 being considered one of the coolest vintages of the past decade. The cooler temperatures allowed for a longer hangtime resulting in an even and temperate harvest.

### Conversations with The Winemaker

The grapes for this Rosé are grown throughout beautiful vineyards in Sonoma County, mostly in the Russian River Valley and Green Valley. The region's proximity to the bay with cool breezes and morning fog make it the perfect location for producing grapes with bright acidity and red berry flavors. Using the saignée technique, this wine was fermented and aged primarily in stainless steel tanks with 15% aged in neutral French oak for six months.

### TECHNICAL NOTES

**Appellation:** Sonoma County

**Varietals:** Pinot Noir, Syrah, Pinot Meunier and Zinfandel

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

**pH:** 3.31

**TA:** 6.9 g/L

**Aging:** 85% aged in stainless steel tanks and 15% aged in natural French oak barrels for six months

**Case Production:** 247 cases

### Wine Profile

Our 2018 Sonoma County Rosé is exploding with seductive aromas of strawberry and rose petal. Juicy flavors of cherries and raspberries coat the palate with a note of ripe watermelon and rose petal. This is a well-balanced fresh wine with a crisp, bright acidity and a touch of stone minerality on the finish.