



## 2022 Sonoma Valley Grenache Rosé



**Vineyard** This Rose is made from Grenache harvest from Peter Mathis's Vineyard in Sonoma Valley . The **Mathis Vineyard** is 7.5 acres of glorious south facing slopes with low vigor volcanic soils – it's heaven for red wine grapes. Peter found the finest clones available (super small berries with great color and a more tannic spine than the typical Grenache found in the U.S) that had just been imported to the country. I'm lucky to share in some of the fruit of this vineyard, as he very rarely sells any and only through my love of all things Grenache did he part with such precious fruit.

**Winemaking** The fruit was picked the night of September 14th and arrived at the winery bright and early where it was whole cluster pressed into a stainless steel tank, allowing it to be cold settled for two days. After the grape solids had fallen out and settled out of solution, I racked this wine to stainless steel drums to "barrel" ferment with native yeast. After the long, slow, cold fermentation was complete, the drums were topped up and the wine was allowed to settle a month and then it was filtered and bottled.

**Tasting Notes** Pale salmon in hue, classy and vibrant with aromatics of pink grapefruit, fresh strawberry, watermelon rind, rose petal, candied orange peel concentrated with a refreshing line of minerality and zippy citrus finish. The Grenache grapes for this wine were picked with the intention to make a Rosé and its expression showcases this. This Rosé is made from 100% Grenache

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