Clos du Soleil Rosé 2021

Technical Information

pH: 3.47 Titratable Acidity: 8.17 g/L Residual Sugar: 2.60 g/L Alcohol by Volume: 12.0%

Harvest Date: October 19th and 20th, 2021

Bottling Date: March 9th, 2022

Vineyard Sources: Clos du Soleil Estate Vineyard [certified organic];

La Côte Vineyard [transition to organic status],

Keremeos, Similkameen Valley, BC

Varieties: 60% Cabernet Sauvignon, 40% Malbec

Total Production: 404 cases

SKU: +878835 (750ml)

Tasting Notes

This delicate and complex Rosé wine greets the taster with aromas of cranberry, raspberry, and pomegranate. The flavours dance across the palate with a swirling blend of wild strawberries, cranberries, rhubarb, and lime zest. Soft on the palate, but crisp, dry, and with a long finish. This Rosé is a blend of organically farmed Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec and is delicate, uplifting and food-friendly – everything a Rosé should be. It makes a perfect pairing with salmon, roasted chicken, soft cheeses, or just a sunny day and a picnic blanket.

Winemaking Notes

Cabernet Sauvignon and Malbec grapes for this Rosé were grown specifically for this wine, on the steep and rocky southern-facing slopes of Clos du Soleil's Estate and La Côte Vineyards on the Upper Bench of the Similkameen Valley. From a wine-making perspective the focus was on gentle-handling of the juice and wine, to protect the beautiful flavours and aromas. After hand-harvesting the grapes were destemmed and lightly crushed, and then soaked under dry ice for 4 hours. This was followed by gentle pressing, and then cool fermentation in stainless steel tanks. The two varieties were co-fermented together, and oxygen contact was kept to an absolute minimum. The wine was aged on its lees for 4 months, and not handled again until a light filtration just prior to bottling.

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