

**2019 RUTHERFORD  
ESTATE ROSÉ**

Winery Block | Rutherford | Napa Valley



**Vineyard Notes:**

From Sangiovese and Merlot grapes grown on our Rutherford estate, our Rosé is made in the saignée method by "bleeding" juice from tanks prior to fermentation. The juice is inoculated and fermented to dryness in stainless steel tanks. Prior to bottling, the wine received minimal filtration and fining to preserve the fresh fruit flavors these vineyards are known for.

**Vintage Notes:**

The beginning of the 2019 growing season was defined by copious rainfall and late soil moisture. The long, warm summer saw very few extreme heat events, with foggy mornings setting the stage for vibrant and expressive wines. The long, relatively mild finish to the season, not without its moments of unpredictability, helped to preserve freshness and finesse in the fruit with abundant hang time teasing out great color, structure and soft tannins. Volume is looking to be about average to a little less than average. All in all, exceptional fruit with bright acidity and ample texture promises an amazing vintage.

**Winemaker's Notes:**

Our dry Rosé of Sangiovese and Merlot bursts with aromas of sweet strawberry, watermelon, muddled mint, and orange blossoms. On the palate, mouthwatering flavors of juicy watermelon, ripe peach, and succulent strawberries linger into refreshing minerality and bright acidity on the finish. This Rosé is a perfect pairing with ceviche, barbeque, salted watermelon, or a summer's day!

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Blend:	65% Sangiovese; 35% Merlot
Barrel Aging:	6 Months Stainless Steel
Appellation:	Rutherford
Production:	170 Cases
Alcohol:	13.4%

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