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2021 Carignan Rosé Feliz Creek Vineyard, Mendocino



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Tasting Notes: Refreshing acidity and a delicious salinity are the hallmarks of this bright, crisp Rosé. The wine has appealing notes of white peach and watermelon rind, and is juicy and flavorful. We picked this old-vine Carignan fruit specifically for Rosé, and the result is an elegant, mineral-driven, dry Rosé.

The Vineyard: Feliz Creek Vineyard - Hopland, Mendocino County AVA

In a protected, tucked-away pocket of Hopland sits Feliz Creek Vineyard, which is owned by Wendy Fetzer. Comprised of head-trained Carignan vines originally planted in 1908, this is a cooler site in a warm area. Because the vineyard is dry farmed, the vines have developed deep root systems, which result in low yields and allow the fruit to achieve intense, concentrated flavor at low Brix. Feliz Creek Vineyard produces a delicious and restrained expression of Carignan, which we find perfect for Rosé.

Winemaking: Direct to press. Whole-cluster pressed. Fermented with native yeast in stainless steel at cool temperatures to preserve the freshness and aromatics.

Vintage: 2021 was an excellent growing year with a mild spring and warm summer. The vintage overall showed lovely concentration and pronounced depth of flavor.

Technical Details:

Composition: 100% Carignan

pH: 3.38

TA: 6.6 g/L

Brix at harvest: 20.8

Alcohol: 13%

160 cases produced

SRP: \$26