

LLAETHLIW SPARKLING ROSÉ

CEREDIGION,
WALES,
2016

PRODUCER

Richard and Siw Evans bought Llaethliw in 2008. Both are local to the area having been brought up in the Teifi and Aeron valleys. They have two children Megan and Jac. The Vineyard idea came to Richard on an inspiration after delving into the diversification of farming and climate change. After a series of soil tests and drainage schemes, 6500 vines were planted in 2009. Jac completed a Viticulture course 2010–2012 at Plumpton college and returned home to manage the vineyard. A further 10 acres 7,000 vines was planted in April, 2016

THE GRAPE

Rondo is a dark-skinned interspecific hybrid variety which performs very strongly in cold climates. As well as its ability to reliably ripen, Rondo is also well regarded because it is highly resistant to diseases and produces good-quality, full-bodied, deep red wines.

Orion has soft, balanced acidity and is often blended to produce crisp, light, aromatic wines. Grassy and herbal notes are most common to these. Orion is also sometimes used in sparkling wines.

TASTING NOTES

This is a deliciously bright and vibrant style of fizz. Pale salmon in colour it has notes of red fruits, strawberries, raspberries and apple on the nose. On the palate it's light and refreshing with delicate floral flavours alongside crisp red apple flavours and zingy acidity.

FOOD PAIRING

This is certainly a fresh style for any occasion. Try pairing with salty cheeses and even fried foods.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Varieties: Orion & Regent

ABV: 11.5%

Closure: Cork

Vegetarian: No

Vegan: No

Organic: No

Biodynamic: No

