

# WAVES

## 2020 Waves Rosé

55% Zinfandel, 33% Petite Sirah, 12% Carignan

This year we decided to extend the Waves line by adding a rosé and a red wine. Our ideal rosé for a can is light and zippy with big fruit, so we turned to zinfandel, petite sirah, and carignan — varieties that aren't necessarily the obvious choice for a rosé, but that we never get tired of playing with and taking in unexpected directions. This combination of varieties gives us that freshness we crave, with aromas of pomegranate, red plum, white cherry, and hints of forest. The palate shows plum and white cherry in abundance, plus bright acidity and a light sparkle that makes this a fun wine to enjoy out of the can or in a glass.

### Vineyards

Gary Venturi Vineyard: zinfandel, petite sirah, carignan: dry farmed, organic

Ricetti Vineyard: carignan: dry farmed, certified organic

Hillside Vineyards: zinfandel: dry farmed, certified organic

Gary Venturi's vineyard is in Calpella, just north of Ukiah on the west end of the valley. The Ricetti Vineyard is in Redwood Valley, just north of Ukiah, with vines were planted in the 1950s. Hillside Vineyard is in Talmage, just east of the town of Ukiah.

### Winemaking

2020 was a challenging vintage due to wildfire smoke. Making rosé is a good way to create wines that alleviate smoke taint risk and ensure that our grape growers can make a living. We would normally tread or destem some of the grapes for our rosé to bring up the red fruit character, but the petite sirah contributed so much fruitiness and color that we didn't need to. All varieties were pressed and fermented separately, naturally. When all of the lots were dry, we assembled the blend and stored the wine cold, without sulfur. This wine was not fined. After filtration, we added 10ppm sulfur prior to canning.

Production: 1520 X 9L cases 375mL

Alc: 12.75% | TA: 6.58 g/L | pH: 3.45 | VA: 0.64 g/L | RS: 0.7 g/L | Malic Acid: 0.46 g/L | Total SO<sub>2</sub>: 10 ppm |  
Dissolved CO<sub>2</sub> at canning: 3100 ppm Turbidity at bottling: 0.3 NTU (Filtered)