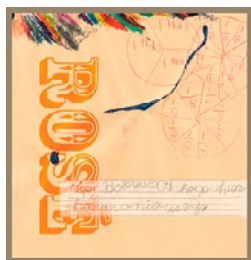




SONOMA COAST ROSÉ

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We haven't made a rosé since 2005, but 2011 was such a perfect vintage for it that we decided to have a go once more. The upside is 238 cases of fabulous wine. The downside (if there really is one) is that we like it so much, we feel compelled to try it again next year and most likely every year after that. We'll see how it goes!

A gorgeous deep pink, light reddish color, with a nose of pink grapefruit, strawberries, watermelon and hibiscus. One sip and cranberries, fresh red cherries, rhubarb and hints of ripe apple peel take over on the palate. Pure and refreshing with lively acidity, just like a rosé should be, yet with the balance, complexity and pedigree of a much more costly wine. A simply fantastic easy drinker to accompany almost everything on the menu, and one we look forward to drinking all summer long and well into the fall.

Helpful hint: rosé is always nice chilled, but some real charm comes out when this wine is allowed to warm up just a bit. So by all means start on the cooler side, but then give it a chance to approach red wine temperature and you may really like what you find!

DRINKING WINDOWS: Prime drinking: summer 2012 to summer 2013
Graceful ageability: it's a rosé. . . enjoy it young!

STATS: pH: 3.35 | TA: 6.6 g/L | Alcohol: 14.1%
Bottling: January 17, 2012 | Release: Spring 2012
Cases Produced: 238