

2020 ROSÉ - SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

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WINEMAKER NOTES

The exotic citrus and stone fruits on the palate: pomelo, ruby red grapefruit, tangerine, yellow peach, and nectarine sherbert make this wine versatile and crowd-pleasing! You can drink it by the pool due to it's bright freshness or pair with a range of first courses as it's textural mouthfeel lends it to many interesting pairings. Always a fan-favorite, you will want to stock up on this lovely, coral colored rosé!

WINEMAKING

Cases: Appellation: Varietal composition: Clonal selection:	245 Santa Barbara County 55% Mourvèdre, 45% Grenache
Soil at site:	Sand
Barrels Aging: Alcohol:	Fermented and aged in stainless steel 5 months 13.5
Brix: pH at harvest: Finished pH: Finished TA:	19.7 3.43 3.45 5.1 g/L
Harvest date: Bottling date: Release date:	9/29/2020 February 2021 Spring 2021

2020 VINTAGE

2020 was a whirlwind harvest in a less-than-normal year. Fruit came in relatively early due to a warm summer, but fruit quality was incredibly high. With decent rainfall, vines were healthy and a warm spring helped usher in a balanced crop. Chardonnay and Pinot began ripening in late August. A bit of heat at the beginning of harvest kicked things off with a bang, but moderate temperatures throughout the fall kept Rhônes on the vine a little longer. The 2020 wines show good flavor concentration and depth, while still retaining their balance and freshness.

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The wine region of Santa Barbara County is located north of the city of Santa Barbara and includes the Santa Ynez Valley and Santa Maria Valley. A defining feature of the region that makes it ideal for grape growing are the transverse, (east-to-west running) mountain ranges that funnel the marine climate inland. The marine fog and wind have a moderating effect on the vines prolonging the growing season and providing a longer hang time for the fruit.

ACCOLADES

91 Points - Wine Enthusiast A yellowish shade of pink, this rosé blend of 55% Mourvèdre and 45% Grenache begins with earthy aromas of struck stone as well as a very delicate pink-fruit scent. It's quite austere on the palate, where zippy acuity and a chalky, almost ashy texture present light flavors of orange rind and plum flesh - Matt Kettmann