



2016 PAINTED HILLS ROSÉ Columbia Valley, Washington

Vineyard

Painted Hills vineyard was first established in 2009 and is part of Art Den Hoed vineyards. Art ranks as one of the most talented and colorful growers in Washington State. Painted Hills is a hot site located in Mabton, WA (west of Prosser) on a north slope tucked up against Horse Heaven Hills. It's called Painted Hills because it gets the intense heat from the sun which creates a painted like dreamy quality to the vineyard. At 1,300 feet in elevation, the air flow and elevation help produce grapes that retain their natural acidity as they ripen. Dustin Tobin is the vineyard manager for this site.

Winemaking

“There are two ways to make Rosé. The first is called a “saignée” which means when making red wine we “bleed off” juice to lower alcohols and concentrate flavors and color. That bleed off juice is what goes into most rosé’s—frankly, more of an afterthought and really not the proper way to make a true rosé. The other method is to treat the varietal as a white wine and pick early. This maximizes bright, pure flavors and higher acids while keeping the alcohol content lower. We picked our Grenache early in the morning to maximize freshness. It was covered with dry ice and pressed to tank nine hours after skin contact, starting the initial fermentation for five days in stainless steel. It was then transferred to neutral barrels on lees, stirring every other week to build mouthfeel.”

-Ryan Crane, Juice Master

Tasting Notes

OMG the most aromatically enticing Grenache Rose to date. A vibrant salmon pink in your glass that follows by white peach, guava, passion fruit, hints of green apple and gravel. This wine is focused with racy acidity, a round vibrant mouthfeel that finishes with white peach, passion fruit, & stone minerality. Real men drink rose and rose is for lovers. Enjoy all spring & summer Kerloonatics.

Technical Analysis

Appellation: Columbia Valley
Varietal Composition: 100% Grenache
Harvest Dates: August 25th 2016
Alcohol: 12%
pH: 3.16
Total Acid: 0.71g/100mL
Cooperages: 100% Neutral French Oak
Bottling Date: February 22nd 2017
Cases Bottled: 352

• **Regular Price: \$22** • **Club Price: \$18.70**



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