

# 2023 ROSÉ



Beautifully aromatic, dry, clean, and refreshing – it's summer in a glass!

**Appellation:** Central Coast

Bottling Data: pH: 3.36 Total Acidity: 0.62g/100mL Alcohol: 13.5% by volume

### Philosophy

The 2023 JUSTIN Rosé is a dry, aromatic, refreshing wine that reminds us that while Rosé is great on a hot summer day, it is also a versatile wine worth reaching for all year long. A Rosé of mostly syrah that is whole-cluster-pressed and fermented like a white wine, it shows a beautiful salmon color in the glass with bright red fruit, crisp apple, and subtle herbal notes. It's a perfect match for a wide variety of pairings or just on its own. This is a wine that is meant to be enjoyed at the table, poolside, beachside, or outside, but especially with someone by your side!

### Vintage Notes

2023 started off with more rain than the Central Coast has seen in a long time. Late winter storms created delays in accessing many vineyards for pre-budbreak work, yet the rain had a positive impact by saturating the soil. Moist subsoils and moderate temperatures really extended the growing season. The mild summer and early fall allowed the berries to size up with very little, if any, dehydration. There were initially some concerns over ripening with the cool conditions, but while harvest ran about three weeks behind, some warm weekends in September helped to push everything along, allowing vineyard blocks to mature at their own pace. The mild weather all year helped the grapes maintain exceptional amounts of natural acidity, which resulted in an exceptionally balanced vintage.

#### Vinification

**Fermentation:** Whole-cluster-pressed and fermented at cool temperatures in stainless steel tanks. No malolactic fermentation.

## Tasting Notes by Jason Santos, JUSTIN Winery Sommelier

**Appearance:** Bright and clear with a pale copper color, silver highlights, and moderate tears in the glass.

**Aroma:** Very aromatic with ripe red apple and notes of green apple and pear, with violet and white flower notes, dried herbs, and an attractive, slightly peppery note.

**Palate:** Medium-bodied and dry with a very attractive mix of ripe red and green apple, red berry fruit, and melon on entry and subtle chamomile and floral notes appearing on the midpalate. The clean finish features fresh fruit, floral/herbal notes, and a mineral texture. The 2023 Rosé is an extremely versatile and refreshing wine that is great year-round on its own or paired with just about any type of food. It is equally delicious with grilled shrimp tacos, a blackened chicken Caesar salad, grilled salmon, or a full holiday meal. You will always want to have a few lightly chilled bottles on hand... JUST IN case.