



ONWARD 2016 Petillant Naturel Rosé

Variety: 100% Rosé of Pinot Noir

Appellation: Redwood Valley

Vineyard: Hawkeye Ranch

Grower: Johnson Family

Harvest Date: Aug. 29th 2016

Total Production: 174 cases

Alcohol: 12.1 %

SRP: \$30.00

The Pétillant Naturel is Onward's sparkling expression of Onward Rosé of Pinot is the result of an intentional rosé program, picked expressly for rosé and whole cluster pressed.

This wine stays true to the nature of an authentic Pétillant Naturel style wine: I encouraged native yeast fermentation, which finished in the bottle, with no sugar or other juice added.

The wine was moved from tank to bottle by gravity. Everything to do with bottling pink-lady Pét-Nat has to be done by hand because she is still fermenting (meaning full of CO2 gas) and needs to be handled with care. I bottled the wine with a small amount of lees, allowing the fermentation to complete in bottle and left the wine un-disgorged (with sediment) in bottle. I feel this adds purity and complexity that would be lost if removed. The bottles were aged while the fermentation finished, then labeled and left finished with a crown cap.

Making this wine is an emotional journey which is truly about passion. For me this journey represents an amazing intersections of two love affairs; my love of making Pet Nat that began in 2013 with the Malvasia Pet Nat, and my love of making Hawkeye Ranch Rosé of Pinot Noir, which began in 2010. This wine has been a long time coming, and while she made me work for it and lose plenty of sleep...it fills my heart and proves that good things come to those that wait!

There are endless layers to Pét Nat, both in the making it and in the enjoying of it. This wine offers a unique combination of youthfulness and complexity, I liken it to my 5 year old daughter who is spunky as they come...yet wise beyond her years and well...also often dresses in pink-e-e-y!

Tasting Notes: This Pét-Nat is loaded with ripe summer berries, floral and citrus notes and is very alive! The opening aromatics explode from the glass, and are lively, fresh and mysterious. To follow are notes of strawberry fields, citrus blossom, warm brioche toast with lemon curd and juicy berries...and a refreshing hint mint...and did I mention soft tiny delicate bubbles!

HAWKEYE RANCH ✦ REDWOOD VALLEY

The grapes, like the moment, are the essence of all that surrounds them. I believe in providing the space for things to unfold, allowing for true expression to shine through. ONWARD

This delicate yet lively expression of Rosé of Pinot Noir is about combining the beauty of cool climate Rosé from Hawkeye Ranch with the free-of-heart nature of Pétillant Naturel. Some things are meant to be together.

Faith Armstrong, Foster WINEMAKER / PROPRIETOR

LIFE: enjoy the moment LOVE: fully RISKS: are worth taking HONESTY: always
LISTEN: to your heart and those that fill it CELEBRATE: often

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GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

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