



RIVERBENCH



2015 BRUT ROSÉ

Estate Grown & Bottled – Santa Maria Valley

COMPOSITION	100% Pinot Noir, Méthode Champenoise
HARVEST	August 3, 2015
DOSAGE	0.55
DISGORGEMENT	April 2017
ACIDITY	0.60 g/100ml
PH	3.48
ALCOHOL	12.6%
BOTTLED	October 2016
PRODUCTION	400 cases
PRICE	\$44

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Wine Enthusiast
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WINEMAKERS NOTES

In color psychology, pink is a sign of hope and compassion. It inspires warm, calming and comforting feelings, making the viewer feel that all is well in the world. Therefore, consider our Brut Rosé therapy in a bottle. Lightly perfumed with aromas of orange blossom and a hint of rosewater, this pale blush pink wine boasts noticeably fine bubbles. In the mouth, flavors of meringue, marzipan and raspberries are made all the more intriguing by a soft sensuality. A few glasses might leave a little pink in your cheeks; whether it's from lust or indulgence is for you to decide.

2015 HARVEST

We began harvest on August 3rd and completed harvest September 30, 2015. The vines emerged from dormancy early this year which translated into an early harvest. The growing temperatures varied greatly throughout the year with some very warm months and rather cool ones as well. In general, the 2015 vintage was a lighter crop in comparison to many years but it made up for it in quality. The clusters were made up of small firm berries. The harvest crews worked diligently through the cool nights bringing in this year's crop. This will be a long post-harvest season, in which, we have our fingers crossed we will receive an abundance of much needed rainfall. This will help adequately supply the vines with proper hydration for emergence in the spring. At that time, we will be ready to start another exciting vintage.

