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2020 ROSATO

Dry Rosé, California

Made in very small quantities for the spring and summer seasons ahead, this wine is made from a base of Sangiovese grapes and blended with a small amount of Zinfandel for added complexity and structure. This is a wonderful dry wine to keep on hand, chilled, for whenever the moment strikes you: with antipasti, picnic lunches, light meals of fish or fowl, the classic Niçoise salad or simply sometimes as the refreshing reset button after a long day.

Vintage Notes: Grape Growers recall that conditions were ideal at the start of 2020, with mild temperatures that led to evenly developed clusters. The low winter rainfall resulted in smaller berries with concentrated flavors. Following an early budbreak and warm summer, harvest kicked off at the beginning of August. Although challenged by the two fires during the harvest season, ultimately, most wineries decided to make only their best wines at limited production. This is exactly what Biale did and we know that you will enjoy these wines that express the promise anticipated by the ideal conditions of the early growing season.

Harvest Dates: 8-21-20

Winemaking: The core of this wine was made using whole cluster pressed Sangiovese grapes. The fruit is picked at a low brix level which gives the wine its beautiful natural color and acidity. The winemaker used saignée of Zinfandel to layer color, aroma and flavor. It was fermented in 100% stainless steel barrels. Slow and cool fermentation, using commercial yeast strains, to enhance the fruit characters. Sur lies aged for body and texture.

Alcohol: 13.0%

Winemaker's Tasting Notes: Aromas and flavors of guava, watermelon, cherry blossoms, key lime, lychee and wet stone. There is a pleasing saliva-inducing tartness, and a savory gentle touch of red wine tannins. Best to drink in its first year of release, these bottles go fast as the season kicks in! Optimum serving temperature: $44 \, ^{\circ} F - 56 \, ^{\circ} F$.

Only 187 cases made.