

## RUTHERFORD Ranch

2023 Reserve Rosé Napa Valley



The 2023 wine grape growing season saw atypical weather patterns that significantly influenced the harvest. A cooler and wetter winter with above-average rainfall helped replenish water reserves, setting the stage for robust vine growth. However, an unusually mild and delayed spring slowed bud break and early growth stages. Summer brought moderate temperatures with fewer heat spikes, allowing for gradual grape maturation and balanced acidity. Despite some concerns about delayed ripening, the steady warmth in late summer and early fall provided an optimal finish. These conditions yielded high-quality wines, characterized by refined flavors, balanced acidity and promising aging potential.

This wine started as 100% free-run juice from our family-owned Abela Vineyard at the estate. Fermentation was in stainless steel tanks allowing for a nuanced, Provence-style rosé.

Pair with spicy paella, fresh crab cakes, seared scallops, or roasted chicken with garden vegetables.

## WINE DESCRIPTION

AROMAS: Bright aromas of stawberry, rhubarb and blood orange,

FLAVORS: Fresh flavors of nectarine, pink grapefruit, stawberry and pomelo pith.

BLEND: 100% Malbec

AGING: Stainless steel fermentation

TA/PH: 0.67 (g/100 mL) / 3.17

RS: > I (g/I00mL)

**ALCOHOL: 12.5%** 

PRODUCTION: 190 cases produced

AGING POTENTIAL: 2-4 years