

2023 Golden Plains Rosé

Vineyards

Established in the late nineties, this Pinot Noir vineyard is found in the Moorabool Valley sub-region of Geelong, southwest of Melbourne. The vineyard is planted in an amphitheatre-like small valley with a south-east through south-west aspect. Planted in a mixture of grey loam and basalt derived soils over clay, the vines grow with moderate vigour.

Growing Season & Winemaking

The 2022/2023 growing season was the third cool and wet season in a row courtesy of a third consecutive La Nina event which was declared in spring 2022. These conditions persisted through to early 2023 with some warmth finally arriving in March 2023, just in time for harvest. An average size crop was hand harvested then whole-bunch pressed to tank, cold settled, racked clean. A cool primary ferment over an extended period maintained fruit flavour. Small amounts of juice were saignéed into the tank at different times, in effect concentrating our Pinot Noirs and creating our Rose; win win. Post ferment the wine was matured on its yeast lees until mid-September, the wine was then filtered and bottled.

Tasting Note

A brilliant pale salmon colour that presents well in the glass.

Fragrant, red-fruited perfume with a touch of apple skin and wildflowers. Great energy on the palate is driven by a fine line of natural acid and gentle texture that cleanses and sits neatly with melon, blood orange and lemon zest flavours.

This refreshing dry rosé is an excellent foil for modern food or is equally at ease simply matched to a sunny day.

