

2017 animé™ Rosé of Pinot Noir

Tobias Glen Vineyard—Russian River Valley

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ALCOHOL

13.9% ABV | RS 0.8g/l

PRODUCTION

38 cases

VINEYARD

Tobias Glen, our estate vineyard, is a 19-acre parcel located in one of the most cherished micro-regions in the Russian River Valley. Ideally suited for Pinot Noir, the predominant soil type is Goldridge. Its excellent drainage allows us to create a balanced vineyard ecosystem yielding exceptional, high-quality fruit.

VINTAGE NOTES

2017 started wet and rainy with record-breaking rain from November through April. A mild summer temperature provided a breather with colder weather and foggy condition in late August bringing a welcomed and slow ripening at the end of the ripening cycle. However, Labor Day weekend provided a sustained heat spiked, jeopardizing the freshness of the fruit. Our heroic crew hand-harvested at night, allowing the wines to show all the elegance and finesse of our Tobias Glen Vineyard.

TASTING NOTES

- **Nose:** uplifting delicate fresh aroma of strawberry, raspberry, and gentle spice
- **Palate:** elegantly focused notes of pear, apricot, and red fruit
- **Finish:** beautiful and lively acidity, easy to drink without moderation
- **Barrel Aging:** 2 months in stainless steel tanks, 3 months in seasoned French oak barrels

ABOUT THE WINEMAKER

Stéphane Vivier joined our team in 2015. A native of Burgundy, Vivier's old-world sensibilities are ideally suited to working with our Pinot Noir varietal at our Russian River site.

To Stéphane, the best winemaker is one that largely keeps his hands to himself, allowing the alchemy of nature to do what it does best.

Stéphane obtained degrees in viticulture and enology from Université de Bourgogne in Dijon. Cultivated his vineyard and cellars skills at Pommard, Meursault and Chassagne-Montrachet.

ACCOLADES

Silver Medal—2019 Decanter World Wine Awards

"Full bodied and wonderfully expressive, with notes of ripe fresh red plum, orange zest, red cherry and raspberry. Clean, precise and superbly executed" 93 pts

Silver Medal—2018 International Rosé Wine Competition

David Glancy, MS

"Beautiful, delicate, the acidity is coming through very fresh and bright"

