

# 2016 animé™ Rosé of Pinot Noir

Tobias Glen Vineyard—Russian River Valley

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## ALCOHOL

13.6% ABV | RS 0.8g/l

## 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.

## ABOUT 2016 HARVEST/ WINE MAKING

- Hand-harvested at night with hand-sorting at the vineyard and winery
- After a short contact with the skin for about 90 minutes, the juice was placed in a stainless steel tank
- The light salmon color is a result of this minimum skin contact while retaining freshness and vibrancy
- Alcoholic fermentation started after a couple of days and lasted 50 days to complete dryness
- The wine was aged on its fine lees in stainless steel before bottling

## TASTING NOTES

- **Nose:** floral aroma with citrus fruit and plum in support
- **Palate:** bright acidity with soft, subtle notes of red fruit with a tinge of flint
- **Finish:** elegant structure, fresh and concentrated at its core

## AGING

2 months in stainless steel tanks followed by 3 months in seasoned French oak barrels give the wine its energy and spiciness without compromising on intensity of flavor.

## 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 who 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. He cultivated his vineyard and cellar skills at Pommard, Meursault, and Chassagne-Montrachet.

