

2016

# UNCLE ROGET'S ROSÉ YOLO COUNTY

## VINEYARD NOTES

### Grenache:

These Grenache grapes come from Gene Glaeser's vineyard which is located in Yolo County in the town of Davis. The vines are Tablas Creek selections, which originated in the Chateauneuf de Pape in the Rhone valley in France. The vines are completely dry farmed, and are influenced by the cool Delta breezes from the south side of Davis. Thinned to a single bunch per cane, the Grenache was harvested from the shady side of the canopy, to ensure cooler flavors in the fruit.

#### Counoise:

This fruit comes from Mount Oso Vineyard in the Tracy Hills. The vineyard is planted between the low, rolling Altamont Hills around the town of Tracy, where they are protected from the Pacific Ocean's influence by the peaks of the Californian Coastal Ranges. The topography is mostly gentle, sloping steadily down towards the San Joaquin valley floor. The geological profile consists mostly of fairly free-draining alluvial and colluvial soils. Limited rainfall, particularly during the harvest, helps control yields and persistent breezes help keep temperatures down.

## Production

We picked both of these lots in the first week of September 2016. We brought them in and crushed them into macro bins to cold soak overnight to extract a soft pink hue from both varietals. The next morning, we brought the macro bins out of the cold room and dumped the fruit into the press. We transferred the juice to stainless steel tank and inoculated with EC1118 yeast so the Grenache and the Counoise juices could co-ferment to create this beautiful, dry Rosé.

## Winemaker Comments

I am loving the addition of the Counoise to this vintage. The Grenache is the star of the show, but the Counoise is doing some amazing backup vocals. Aromas of strawberry and tamarindjump from the glass followed by flavors of bright grapefruit and blood orange with a rose

## TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

APPELLATION **Yolo County** 

COMPOSITION 86% Grenache 14% Counoise

ALCOHOL 13.21%

Residual Sugar: 0g/100ml

РΗ 3.34

TOTAL ACIDITY 0.61g / 100ml

BARRELS 100% Stainless Steel

**CASES PRODUCED** 499

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