

2016 **ROSÉ OF SYRAH** VIVIO VINEYARD BENNETT VALLEY

Tasting notes seem like overkill for a rosé. Do you really need to give it that much thought? Maybe a playlist would be more helpful. More on that in a moment.

Hold the bottle up to the light. What color do you see? It's not quite scarlet, not quite vermillion, but somewhere in between. Let's keep it simple and call it orangered. Now taste it. Ours is made from Syrah so you might expect something bold and fruity. Not so fast. With ours you'll taste tart cherries, macerated strawberries and nectarines. The acidity is bracing and there is a surprising backbone of lime zest and white pepper. Should the glass warm in your hand, you might detect rhubarb. Don't let that happen, drink up.

As for that playlist: Louis Armstrong, Yo La Tengo, Vampire Weekend, Electric Guest and, if you must, Norah Jones.

VINEYARD: Vivio Vineyard ELEVATION: 730 ft. SOILS: Sonoma Volcanics EXPOSURE: East Facing CLONES: 470, Rootstock 420A BRIX AT HARVEST: 21.8 HARVEST DATE: 26 Sept. 2016 FERMENTATION: 3 day cold soak, Barrel Fermented, Native Yeast, No Malolactic Fermentation, No Amendments AGING: 5 mos 50% Neutral Oak 50% Stainless Steel

2 BARRELS PRODUCED

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