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RUSSIAN RIVER VALLEY Sonoma County
2018 ROSÉ

VINEYARD

Jane's Vineyard, located in the Santa Rosa Plains neighborhood of the Russian River Valley is made up of the adjacent Lindley's, Crinella and Garfield block – 132 acres of Pinot Noir with nine different clones. This small area tends to enjoy the very best of the iconic local climate; never too hot during the day, and consistently chilly at night. Jane's Vineyard shows superior vine balance thanks to its well-drained, shallow and low vigor soils. For those reasons, it was an easy decision to create our inaugural vintage of Davis Bynum Rosé of Pinot Noir – a beautiful expression of the vineyard, region, and varietal upon which our heritage was built.

THE HARVEST

The 2018 growing season was dry through the spring, and would end up well below normal precipitation. Cooler weather dominated this vintage, with only two short, relatively mild heat spikes through the entire growing season. Summer days were very pleasant in Sonoma County with highs in the 70s and 80s. Moderately warmer temperatures ushered in early August. We picked the Jane's Vineyard clone 113 Pinot Noir on August 29 and a small piece of the clone 828 block on September 17.

STYLE

Winemaking is light handed with timely and deliberate choices made to craft a wine that genuinely reflects the vineyard and vintage. This Rosé has bright aromas and flavors, fresh acidity, and a clean finish, which is due to selecting exceptional blocks of fruit, and then picking early in the season, when the acidity is naturally high and the sugars are low. The clone 113 block of Pinot Noir provided 95% of the finished blend, which was given 4 hours of skin contact to deepen the fruit and color before being pressed. The other 5% came from the clone 828 block, which went direct to the press, and was subsequently lighter in color, with a honeyed apricot nose and racy acidity.

TASTE PROFILE

This inaugural vintage of our Rosé shows peach aromas with some citrusy lemongrass, candied watermelon and peach flavors and a fresh, dry, balanced finish.



HARVEST DATES 8.29.2018 & 9.17.2018		AVG. BRIX AT HARVEST 20.4° Brix		VARIETAL 100% Pinot Noir	
APPELLATION 100% Russian River Valley		SOIL Shallow, low pH, gravelly clay Huichica loam			
VINEYARD Jane's Vineyard, Woolsey Road		pH 3.22	TA .61g/100mL	ALC 12.3%	PRODUCED 300 cases
WINEMAKERS Greg Morthole, Justin Seidenfeld		CLONES 113, 828	CELLAR AGING 3 months in stainless steel		



Davis Bynum is distinguished as the first winery to produce a single vineyard Pinot Noir from the Russian River Valley. The vintage was 1973 and the grapes were from Joe Rochioli's now prized vineyard. Today, our heritage of winemaking lives on through hand-crafted wines grown in the Russian River Valley.