

DESERT WIND

2009 Dry Rosé

Wahluke Slope, WA

Cases produced: 94
Vineyard: Sacagawea Vineyard
Appellation: Wahluke Slope, WA
Harvested: October 18, 2009
Fermentation: 100% barrel fermented in neutral oak;
partial malolactic fermentation
Blend: 92 percent Sangiovese, 8 percent Chardonnay
Final #s: Alcohol 13.0 percent • TA 0.56 g/100ml
pH 3.44 • RS 0.23g /100ml
Release Date: April 2010
UPC: 768154231786

Winemaker's notes

The 2009 vintage marks the inaugural release of Desert Wind Dry Rosé. This Rosé is crafted from estate-grown Sangiovese grapes. The juice was barrel fermented in older oak barrels to impart a complex note without over-powering the fruit with oak aromas. Desert Wind's Dry Rosé displays wild strawberry on the nose, and raspberry and pomegranate on the palate. Enjoy well-chilled.

Vineyard notes

The Wahluke Slope is located in Eastern Washington's Columbia Valley. The site is considered Zone 3, the hottest in the region. Our 480-acre vineyard is a southern-facing block with a two percent slope and shallow, rocky soil. The vines are irrigated with an underground drip system; double catch wires are used to increase air circulation during the growing season. Leaf pulling and cluster thinning are important steps to aid the ripening of the grapes.



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