



Port Phillip Estate Salasso Rosé 2015 – Tasting Notes

The Port Phillip Estate vineyard is located on the Mornington Peninsula at Red Hill, on Eocene volcanic soils. Our wines are made from domain grown, handpicked grapes and aim to manifest terroir: the integration of our geology and soils with the macroclimate of our region, the mesoclimates of the various sites within our vineyard and the weather of the annual grape growing season. Our cultural operations in the vineyard and practices in the winery endeavour to articulate these unique characteristics diligently, respectfully and without artifice.

Vineyard

This Rosé was made from estate grown Pinot Noir and Shiraz grapes.

Winemaking

Salasso means 'bleeding the juice' in Italian. The fruit was whole bunch pressed and fermented without yeast inoculation in a mix of old French oak barriques, large format foudre and concrete tanks. Once dry, the wine was left sur lie for several months prior to bottling.

Vintage

The 2014-2015 growing season began with lower than average rainfall throughout the winter. Budburst occurred at a normal time and was followed by a spring that also had lower than average rainfall, along with moderate temperatures. These

growing conditions led to vines with less vigour than usual. Flowering conditions were good; however, we received slightly below average yields due to cold conditions experienced during the 2013 flowering period. Several large periods of rainfall throughout the season were managed effectively, and the vineyard remained disease free.

The period between January and late March was relatively cool, with January much cooler than historically usual. With the exception of one rain event, the mild and still weather continued throughout the harvest period. This allowed for a calm yet constant harvest for the viticultural team. Harvest began in late February and was finished in late March.

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An attractive pale salmon in hue. The nose is bright and aromatically diverse with notes of strawberry, orange peel and dry herb. Fresh berry flavours lend a soft yet vibrant texture to the palate, leading to a full length and a finish of red apple, talc, and driving acidity. Refreshingly moreish.

Alcohol

13.5%