

## 2023 WF2 ROSÉ

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| ORIGIN     | Wayfarer Vineyard, Fort Ross-Seaview, Sonoma Coast |
| HARVESTED  | September 25 - October 13, 2023                    |
| BOTTLED    | February 2, 2024                                   |
| ALCOHOL    | 13.9%  |
| pH         | 3.12   |
| T.A.       | 8.0 g/L  |
| PRODUCTION | 185 cases  |
| WINEMAKER  | Todd Kohn  |

**TASTING NOTES** | A shimmering pale salmon pink in the glass, the 2023 WF2 Rosé reveals fresh aromas of cut strawberry, crushed raspberry, white peach and perfumed orange blossom. The palate delights with refreshing and racy acidity, balanced by vibrant red berry fruit and finishing with a wet river stone minerality. The 2023 is well-suited for immediate enjoyment but can cellar for a few years if desired.

**WINEMAKING NOTES** | The Pinot Noir grapes were hand-picked at night to preserve freshness, and the fruit was delivered to the winery before sunrise. We hand-sorted and destemmed the fruit before fermenting the juice in neutral French oak barrels. The wine aged sur lie for three months prior to bottling.

**VINTAGE NOTES** | Moderate and extended vintages like we experienced in 2023 are ideal for producing balanced, nuanced and complex wines. The 2023 vintage began with a cool and wet spring, delaying budbreak weeks later than usual. A mild May and June extended the bloom period nearly three weeks, further delaying an already late vintage. July and August brought warmth and sunshine with above average temperatures driving berry development and ripening, before transitioning into cooler weather in September. The temperate yet sunny days post-veraison created beautiful flavor and tannin development while retaining freshness, vibrant acidity and complex savory notes in the finished wines. Harvest began on September 25th and carried well into October. A few early fall showers lightly sprinkled the vines, spurring photosynthesis and phenolic development during the cooler days. The team worked diligently to pick each cluster with care through to the last vine on October 16th. The mild fall weather and late harvest in 2023 produced Pinot Noirs and Chardonnays with extended aging potential, truly beautiful and classically styled wines.

**ABOUT WAYFARER WF2** | WF2 wines possess a true sense of place, outstanding quality and exceptional value. 100% grown and made by us in tiny quantities, they are a barrel-by-barrel deselection.