



# BALLETTO®

## 2016 ROSÉ of PINOT NOIR

### Russian River Valley

Estate Grown • Estate Bottled



Fun and wildly delicious, this rosé of Pinot Noir has intense and pretty aromas. They're supported with perfectly weighted texture, finesse and an electric vein of acidity that keeps it crisp, balanced and enticing. This is what rosé is all about.

The Balletto Rosé is made exclusively from estate-grown Pinot Noir, a grape known for delicacy, light color and good acidity. Its quality and distinctness stems from Balletto Vineyards' commitment to growing and producing rosé. Every year, the rosé comes from vineyard blocks that are specifically farmed for rosé because of their brightness and soft tannin profile.

The grapes are loaded whole cluster into a wine press and gently squeezed to minimize skin extraction. The light pink juice is fermented completely dry and then bottled early the following year. There is no malolactic fermentation and the wine is sterile filtered prior to bottling.

Balletto Vineyards makes all of its wine from sustainably-farmed estate vineyards located throughout the cool southern third of the Russian River Valley. It is one of the few Russian River wineries to be 100 percent estate grown and estate bottled, and specializes in vineyard-designated Pinot Noir and Chardonnay, which are consistently elegant, balanced and delicious.

### Technical Information

Alcohol: 13.4%

pH: 3.49

TA: 5.9 g/L

Stainless Steel Fermentation

Case Production: 4,840 cases

**Rosé Winemaking Philosophy:** Rosé should be that wonderful, joyful wine that's light, pretty and full of life. To coax the most complexity and balance from our pinot, we whole-cluster press 80 percent of the blend and bleed off 20 percent from our regular fermentation. The combination of the two methods gives the best of both styles. The whole-cluster portion makes the framework with acidity and minerality. The bleeds from the fermenters fill in the middle with bright fruit and texture. Together, they create the whole picture.