

ROBERT HALL

Brut Rosé Sparkling Wine

Paso Robles

Winemaker's Notes

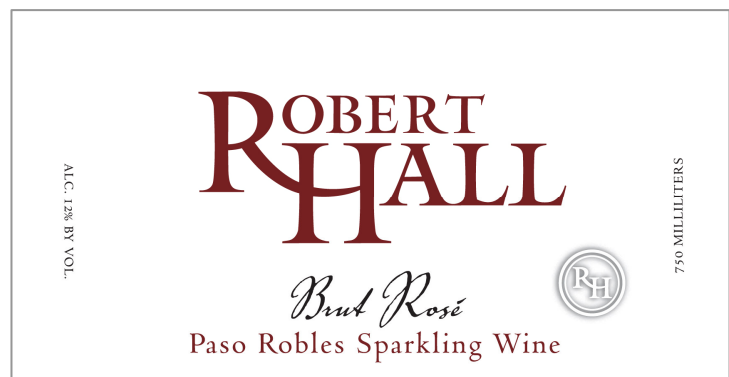
An exclusive Tasting Room wine, our newly released Sparkling Brut Rosé features the same base blend as our award-winning Rosé de Robles with an enticing strawberry color with aromas reminiscent of fresh raspberries, cherries and fragrant honeysuckle. Dry with clean and crisp berry flavors, this sparkler freshens the palate, making it a versatile pink bubbly for any occasion.

The base wine is composed of 80% Rosé from the '05 vintage and 20% from the '06 vintage. Our Rosé is a blend composed of fruit from the vineyards of the Hall Ranch. The Syrah represents the rolling hills and cobbled clay of the Hall Ranch "Home Vineyard," while the Grenache, Cinsaut, and Mourvedre fruit speak for the sandy-loam of the "Terrace" vineyard. The marriage of these vineyards is captured in the bright freshness of the Rosé.

The Syrah and Mourvedre portion of this blend was crafted using a "Saignée" technique; bleeding off free-run rose colored juice from a crushed red grapes after a couple of days of skin contact and prior to onset of vigorous fermentation. This technique yields a deeply colored full-flavored rose. The Grenache and Cinsaut portion of the blend was crushed and pressed with a minimum of skin contact. This more traditional "Vin Gris" technique produces a light-bodied elegant rosé that balances and complements the full-bodied Saignée fraction. Following the bleeding and pressing, both lots of wine were inoculated with cultured yeast and the wine was tank fermented and aged. Prior to bottling, the components received a final racking, where the blend was assembled. The Rosé base wine was re-fermented then cold filtered to the bottle in the traditional Charmat process.

Statistics

Total Acidity: .62%
pH: 3.40
Residual Sugar: .80%
Alcohol: 12.0% by volume
Blend: 52% Syrah, 20% Grenache, 19% Cinsaut,
9% Mourvèdre
Bottling Date: January 2007
• *Limited production* •



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