Blackenbrook Pinot Rose 2023

Our Pinot Rosé 2023 is an explosion of juicy red fruit. The ripe acidity stylishly balances a whisper of sweetness. Dangerously smooth!

It's our Moutere clay soils, the dazzling Nelson sun and the finger prints of our team that make our wines unique. We hope you'll enjoy. **The Season:** Our **20**th **year** of growing grapes at Blackenbrook Vineyard!

Mother Nature gave us beautiful spring weather for flowering and pollination, setting us up for a good crop.

Summer was quite wet and the vines grew at a crazy pace. We kept mowing, trimming and leaf-plucking the fruit zone but it was a real struggle to stay on top of the phenomenal growth.

Going into harvest the fruit was clean but extremely fragile – and so were our nerves. But two weeks of stunning autumn weather was all we needed to hand-pick our biggest crop ever with beautiful ripeness and flavours – a challenging season with a happy ending.

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Vineyard: fruit exclusively from our home block Clones: UCD5 & 6, 10/5, 22, 114, 115, 667, 777 Close planting: 3780 vines/ha Soil: Moutere clay with a layer of sandy loam Extensive manual shoot thinning and leaf plucking to keep canopy healthy and dry Hand-picked on 20 March 2023 with 23.1 Brix

Winery: Extremely gentle winemaking 24 hours cold maceration on the grape-skins gently pressed (not saignée), gravity-fed from press area to main winery, cool fermentation, extended lees contact, minimal pumping, no fining pre-bottling. 3.0g/ltr natural residual sugar, bottled on 26 July 2023 under screw capsules, light-weight bottles to reduce carbon footprint, off-dry, 13.0% alcohol

5 Stars Michael Cooper, michaelcooperwines.com Instantly appealing, the 2023 vintage was made from estate-grown, hand-picked Pinot Noir, fermented and lees-aged in stainless steel tanks. Full, bright pink, it is packed with vigorous, berryish, gently spicy flavours, leading to a finely balanced, appetisingly crisp, dry finish.



