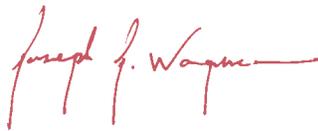


Belle Glos

2015 OEIL DE PERDRIX PINOT NOIR BLANC SONOMA COUNTY

RATHER THAN BEING A BY-PRODUCT OF RED WINE, THE GRAPES FOR THIS ROSÉ WERE GROWN SPECIFICALLY WITH THE INTENTION OF MAKING A ROSÉ WINE. THE WINE'S DELICATE CHARM AND INTRIGUING COMPLEXITY HARMONIZE BEAUTIFULLY WITH BRIGHT, BERRY FLAVORS AND A CRISP, REFRESHING STRUCTURE.”



JOSEPH WAGNER, OWNER & WINEMAKER

In France, this wine is traditionally known as *oeil-de-perdrix*, which translates to ‘eye of the partridge’ and refers to its pink and copper color. My family has been making Pinot Noir in this style for 40 years. Producing this wine requires a gentle hand and a readiness to press the juice quickly once it reaches the desired level of color. We ferment part of the juice in French oak barrels, a technique which adds enough rich texture and light spice to beautifully complement the generous fruit. To preserve its crisp, clean aromas and flavors, we finished it with a twist-top. Perfect on its own as an aperitif, it also complements picnics on the patio and light dishes. Please enjoy this wine well chilled.

2015 VINTAGE

This growing season got off to a quick start with warm weather in February and March that led to an early bud break. But that warmth was followed by below-average temperatures in May that were actually colder than January’s. The cool spring spell was replaced by textbook summer weather with plenty of warm and sunny days, free of any heat spikes.

TASTING NOTES

Pale pink with a copper hue, this wine has the classic ‘eye of the partridge’ color. Citrus-driven aromas carry through to the palate. On entry, bright acidity and flavors of pink grapefruit and lemon zest enliven the orange creamsicle notes, while hints of dried apricot and sweet spice add complexity. The brightness verges on minerality, but there is so much weight that the richness balances out the firm acidity and carries the flavors of dried fruit through to the long-lasting finish.

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