



# HUNTER'S WINES

MARLBOROUGH

*Jane Hunter*

## PINOT NOIR ROSÉ 2016

*French in style with fresh summer fruits and a dry finish.*

### TASTING NOTES

100% Pinot Noir, Hunter's Rosé shows a traditional pale pink colour which alludes to the fresh summer berry aromas of strawberry, raspberry and red plum. The palate is full and round with a long crisp finish. The mouthfeel is wonderful and expresses summer to the senses. It's the perfect summer wine!

*We love this wine lightly chilled served as an aperitif or with fresh summer foods such as seafood, salads and Mediterranean dishes.*

### TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date	March 2016
Alcohol	12.5%
Total Acidity	5.2 g/l
Residual Sugar	1.14 g/l
Bottling Date	July 2016

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Spring was dry to start the growing season and late frosts in early December threaten but didn't impact and fruit set was great. Some rain during the growing season in January provided plenty of nutrients and juicy weight to the fruit. A hot and dry summer delivered a harvest as smooth as can be with continuous fruit supply keeping the winery busy. Overall, we received slightly above average yields with optimum quality fruit.

### VINIFICATION

Our goal is to preserve all the fresh characters we taste in the vineyard. We study all the fruit very carefully before deciding when to pick – we only have one chance each year. We pick in the cool of the morning and process the fruit under anaerobic conditions.

Pinot Noir is grown specifically for this Rosé so that we can maintain a sensible alcohol level and present a balanced wine. The cool fruit is de-stemmed and allowed to soak on the skins until we have the pale pink colour we desire. The fruit is then lightly pressed and fermented at lower temperatures to maintain its true fruit expressions. The wine spends a short time on lees to nurture its youthful character before the wine is cold stabilised, racked and filtered prior to bottling.

### ACCOLADES

**GOLD** – New Zealand International Wine Show 2016, Oct 2016

**4 STARS & 92 POINTS** – Bob Campbell MW, bobcampbell.nz, Nov 2016

*"Light to medium salmon-pink hue. The nose is fruity, grapy, flowery and faintly rose petal-ish. The wine is light and fruity in the mouth, with underpinning sweetness as well as vibrant acidity. It's just a bit too fruity and sweet for me to drink much of it. Good commercial style, though."*

**3.5 STARS** – Michael Cooper, Winestate Magazine, Mar/Apr 2017

*"Light pink, this is a refreshing, medium-bodied wine with delicate peach, strawberry and spice flavours, very fresh and vibrant, and a fully dry finish."*



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**3 STARS & 87 POINTS** – Huon Hooke, huonhooke.com.au, Jan 2017

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**88 POINTS** – Cameron Douglas MS, camerondouglasms.blogspot.co.nz, Aug 2016

*“Juicy, lifted red fruits bouquet with crushed strawberry and red apple, a light rose layer, white peach and stony mineral core. On the palate - juicy, fruity, plush, fresh and balanced; flavours of red berry fruits, plenty of acidity and wet stone mineral; balanced and well made.”*

**SILVER** – Royal Easter Show Wine Awards 2017, Feb 2017

**BRONZE** – Marlborough Wine Show 2016, Oct 2016

