



HEDGES

Family Estate

2016 DLD Le Rosé

AVA: Red Mountain

Winemaker: Sarah Hedges Goedhart

Blend: 66% Syrah, 34% Grenache

Production: 815 cases

Alcohol: 13%

pH: 3.63

Titrateable Acid: 5.4 g/L

Tasting Notes:

Brilliant coral color. Strawberries and cream, orange hibiscus, jasmine, with an intriguing hint of white pepper and roasted hazelnut. This wine dances across the palate with pops of bright acidity that nicely balance the fruity creaminess. Flavors of strawberry, orange zest and a touch of white pepper spice make this wine exciting on its own and also extremely versatile with food. I can't imagine a better wine to sip on a warm day with friends.

Cellaring:

For optimum fruit flavors and aromas, drink now or within the next year.

Production:

Grapes are from Les Gosses and Elephant Mountain vineyards. Crushed and pressed on 9/8/16. Co-fermented at a low temperature until it reached dryness on 10/3. Wine was bottled on 11/17/16.

Harvest Notes:

2016 had a very mild and warm winter followed by a wet spring with a few heat spikes early on in May. Summer had an average amount of heat, but nothing like what we saw in 2015. A few rain events throughout the growing season made regulating irrigation water a bit tricky. The first part of harvest had mild heat which made for steady and even ripening of the fruit. The end of harvest was hit with off and on rain for a few weeks, which really slowed things down and stretched out picking dates. The 2016 harvest resulted in large crops with impressive fruit quality.