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2021 DUNDEE HILLS RESERVE ROSÉ OF PINOT NOIR

Established in 2003, The Four Graces is committed to making rich, complex wines where the fruit may be elegantly expressed. The winery offers pinot noir as well as small amounts of pinot gris, pinot blanc and chardonnay. The wines are produced from our three estate vineyards — Foley Family Estate, Doe Ridge Estate, our new Van Duzer Corridor vineyard and other top sites in the Willamette Valley. Highly acclaimed, The Four Graces wines are hand-crafted in small lots using traditional techniques coupled with the most modern technology in winemaking.



VINTAGE

The 2021 vintage will be remembered in the Willamette Valley for record setting heat and dry conditions. The pinot noir for this rose was harvested from blocks 6, 13, and 26 at our Foley Estate vineyard in the Dundee Hills AVA. These blocks tend to ripen quickly, keeping us on our toes in late August and early September. We have found that these specific blocks serve as indicators for the other vineyards in the area which set the tone for the rest of harvest. The fruit for our estate rose ripened quickly with an increase of more than two brix in a week. We harvested these blocks early to retain freshness, but they still showed surprising ripeness and bright acidity.

VINEYARD

The fruit for this wine was sourced from the Foley Family Estate Vineyard that encompasses 110 acres nestled in the Red Hills of Dundee..

TASTING NOTES

The pinot noir for this rosé was handpicked and whole cluster pressed to preserve the delicate aromatics and light pink color. The contribution from the neutral French oak adds weight and length to the palate and also allows contact with the lees for a creamy texture. Aromas of fresh wild strawberry, citrus and a hint of crème fraiche set the tone for this delightful rosé. The palate shows bright notes of grapefruit, strawberry and lime zest that lead into a soft minerality. A lively acidity accents the ripe fruit flavors and carries the wine into a crisp finish..

TECHNICAL DATA

Appellation:	Willamette Valley
Vineyard Source:	Foley Family Estate
Varietal Composition:	100% Pinot Noir
Aging:	5 months in stainless steel; 3 months in neutral
	French oak barrels
Alcohol:	13.5%
pH:	3.2
TA:	7.4 g/L
Case production:	550

