



2015 Melinda's Rosé

This wine comes from land held in our family for more than 150 years.

HARVEST: August 19, 2015

ALCOHOL: 13%

RELEASE DATE: April 17, 2016

Melinda Taplin was always searching for the perfect Rosé to give to her many friends. To honor her and her generosity, the Taplin Family is making the wine she would have always wanted. 100% of the profits will be donated to Dr. Susan Love Cancer Research Foundation.

Taplin Cellars' Melinda's Rosé is made with a field blend of Cabernet Franc and Cabernet Sauvignon from the Taplin estate in Saint Helena: Picked at sunrise, followed by a cold, gentle whole cluster pressing and the juice going directly to a stainless steel tank; Temperature controlled fermentation, gentle stirring and no malolactic fermentation.

WINEMAKER'S NOTES:

The vineyard was picked around 23 brix to bring enough structure while preserving fresh aromatics. An elegant acidity runs through the wine, supporting a soft texture and gentle finish. Aromas are delicate; fresh herbs, white fruits and a bouquet of floral notes.

The winemaking goal is to produce a rose made from Napa Valley fruits, creating a new quality level for domestic rose wines.

REVIEW: Wine Journal, June 2016 (Ellen Landis, 21 wines to watch)

Take in the shimmering pale pink hue and the engaging aroma of newly awakened spring flowers. This classy Rosé, crafted of Cabernet Sauvignon and Cabernet Franc, is pristinely balanced and graceful. Red currant and raspberry flavors enhanced by subtle herbs and a touch of tangerine invigorate the palate. Pure and refreshing through the mouthwatering finish.

Food pairing: Grilled chicken/vegetable skewers