

2009 MINERAL SPRINGS BRUT ROSÉ

SPARKLING WINE



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THE VINEYARD

Mineral Springs Ranch is a 240-acre parcel of woodland and grazing land dotted with ancient Oregon white oak savannas. The entire property is operated as a certified sustainable farm, home to 30 acres of Pinot Noir, 2 acres of Chardonnay, along with 600 head of sheep and other farm friends. These vines are rooted in ancient sedimentary soils derived from fractured marine sandstone. The combined effect of superb exposure, elevation, excellent drainage and the cool north-western Oregon climate create the potential for consistently great wines. There is no doubt that experienced and dedicated farming, along with careful craftsmanship contribute to the result, but from its very first vintage this vineyard has expressed its own singular voice. The wines are compelling expressions of a place destined to be recognized as one of the great sites for new world Pinot Noir.

TASTING NOTES

After a virtual drought - with no Brut Rosé produced from either the 2007 or 2008 vintages - we are excited to be back in the saddle again with this 2009 release! And it represents a first for us, in that it is the only time that our Brut Rose has been produced entirely from Mineral Springs Ranch vineyard fruit!

Our “*rosiest*” Brut Rosé to date, the 2009 is vibrant with a distinct crimson hue. Ripe Oregon strawberries and cherry leap from the glass as well as pure, unmistakably “Pinot noir” fruit aromas. All the while notes of citrus peel and pastry spice dance in the background. An elegant, lithe and creamy entry leads to a ripe, concentrated palate with a core reminiscent of fresh Rainier cherries. The bead is lively and crisp while remaining elegant. The finish is energetic and unadulterated with a long lasting impression of strawberries and cream.

SPECIFICS

APPELLATION:	100% Estate Grown & Bottled Yamhill-Carlton AVA
ASSEMBLAGE:	100% Methode Champenoise (Hand riddling, aging in our own caves, on-site disgorgement.) 80% Pinot Noir 20% Chardonnay 3.5 years en-tirage
DISGORGMENT:	Spring 2013
PRODUCTION:	580 cases
ALCOHOL:	12.8%