

Winters Drift Rosé 2011

Colour: A salmon hued wine - perfect colour for a Rosé!

Nose: The nose of the wine is alive with a complex array of floral and rose petal aromas.

Palate: On the palate, it delivers a variety of red berry as well as peach flavours. The finish is soft with lingering tropical fruit and floral aromas.

variety : Merlot | 100% Merlot

winery : Winters Drift

winemaker : _

wine of origin : Elgin

analysis : alc : 12.0 % vol rs : 5.1 g/l pH : 3.11 ta : 6.0 g/l

type : Rose **style** : Dry **body** : Light **taste** : Fruity

pack : Bottle **size** : 0 **closure** : Cork

in the vineyard : The Merlot vineyards have a (warmer) north facing aspect, and are 315m above sea level. Planted with a vine spacing of 2.5m x 1.5m, in dark clay graded sediment soils with good water retention capacity, well drained. The first Merlot vineyards were planted in 2007.

about the harvest: Grapes are handpicked early in the morning.

Grape Analysis

Sugar: 23°B

pH: 3.5

total Acidity: 4.11 g/l

in the cellar : Grapes are sorted on a table. The juice was allowed 2 - 4 hours of skin contact followed by a very gentle press and overnight settling of juice. Cold fermentation with the aid of selected yeast strains.

