

Fable Mountain Vineyards Belle Flower Rosé 2014

The colour is bright, pale pink with salmon hues. The nose is beautifully layered and complex with wild berries, roses and white flowers with a subtle suggestion of dill and wet stone minerality. The palate is powerful yet precise with soft creamy layered flavours of berries, dill and hints of wood. The finish is long and mineral with a fresh lingering acidity.

variety : Grenache | 40% Grenache, 32% Syrah, 28% Mourvèdre

winery : Fable Mountain Vineyards

winemaker : Rebecca Tanner

wine of origin : Swartland

analysis : alc : 11.9 % vol rs : 2.2 g/l pH : 3.31 ta : 5.4 g/l so2 : 83 mg/l fso2 : 14 mg/l

type : Rose **style :** Dry

pack : Bottle **size :** 750ml **closure :** Cork

ageing : Drink now or will age for up to 5 years.

in the vineyard : Grenache (Swartland), Syrah (Swartland) and Mourvèdre (Swartland)

about the harvest: The grapes are picked early so that we can maintain a good alcohol in the final wine.

in the cellar :

The grapes for this Rosé are carefully selected for their quality and fragrance. The blend is made up of Grenache, Mourvèdre and Syrah, just like the Rosé wines in Provence.

The grapes are then transported by a refrigerated truck and go into a cool room when they arrive to get the temperature to about 5 degrees. The grapes are then whole bunch pressed, before being settled and raked into concrete eggs where they undergo a natural fermentation. All the different batches of fruit are kept separate and blended in the end. Malolactic fermentation is allowed to go through and the final wine stays on the lees in concrete eggs for 12 - 18 months before blended and bottled.

