

Brookdale Mason Road Serendipity Rosé 2022

A Provence-style rosé with a pale salmon pink colour. Fragrant notes of hibiscus, fynbos-spice and wild strawberries unspool on the nose. The palate is red-fruited and generous, plumped with raspberries, mulberries and sappy cherries; then lifted on the mid-palate with refreshing watermelon verve. Keenly balanced with a lemony acidity, all that beautiful, bright fruit is cradled in a fine-boned structure imbued from old oak ageing.

variety : Shiraz | Syrah, Grenache, Cinsault

winery : Brookdale Estate

winemaker : Kiara Scott

wine of origin : Paarl

analysis : alc : 12.97 % vol rs : 3.2 g/l pH : 3.42 ta : 5.6 g/l

type : Rose **style :** Dry **body :** Medium **taste :** Fruity **wooded**

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

2023 Rosé Rocks - Gold

The 2022 vintage will be remembered as a cool season before harvest, followed by a sudden temperature spike from January. Good vineyard practices were followed, and canopies were managed well, which delivered exceptional grape analyses and wine quality. Temperatures rose sharply during early January and accelerated the early cultivars' ripening dates, although we harvested more than a week later than the previous year. Frequent high temperatures during February further contributed to harvest dates shifting sooner and harvesting returned to normal timing by the end of February. We were fortunate not to experience any crop losses or mildew infections.

about the harvest: Careful bunch selection was carried out in the vineyard.

in the cellar : The Grenache and Cinsault grapes were whole-bunch pressed, settled overnight and then allowed to ferment in 500 litre old French oak barrels. The Syrah portion was whole-bunch pressed and then transferred to steel tanks for fermentation in order to preserve freshness. The Cinsault and Grenache went through secondary fermentation for added aromatic complexity. This wine was partially matured in old oak barrels for 11 months, adding complexity and body.

