

# ROSÉ DE NOIRS 2018 LIMITED RELEASE

GRAPE VARIETIES 85% Pinot Noir, 15% Pinot Meunier

## VINEYARD

Grapes were sourced from our original estate vines, along with carefully selected partner vineyards across Southern England; typically south facing, with free draining slopes, on varied chalk, clay, gravel and sandstone soils. These sites range from between 10-50 metres above sea level, benefitting from a cool, maritime climate.

## VINTAGE REPORT

After an icy start, 2018 became a vintage for the ages. Winter was prolonged by snow storms and freezing temperatures (recording -120C on the 28th February), delaying budburst until 23rd April. From here, the growing season was immaculate. The sun shone long and hot to mid-August, which brought nourishing rains, before the heatwave returned through to harvest. Beginning 24th September, this saw huge yields of ripe, healthy fruit brought into the winery.

#### WINEMAKING

Made in Ridgeview's unique interpretation of the 'saignée' method, our hand-picked grapes rested for 6-12 hours on their skins, naturally imparting colour and character into the juice, before gentle whole-bunch pressing. Fermentation took place at 18-20°C in stainless steel tanks, using classic sparkling wine yeasts, with a selection of base wines going through malolactic conversion. Following secondary bottle fermentation in the optimum conditions of our purpose-built underground cellar, our Rosé de Noirs 2018 rested on its lees for a minimum of 36 months.

# ANALYSIS

ALCOHOL: 12% | ACIDITY: 7g/L RESIDUAL SUGAR: 9.5g/L | PH: 2.98

## TASTING NOTE

Visually stunning, this is a wine of incredible delicacy and abundance of character, balancing a full mousse with a silky, smooth texture. Rose-gold in colour, aromatic cherry blossom and raspberry macaron burst from the glass. An expressive palate of summer fruits is layered with sweet spice and pastry set against a brilliant balancing acidity for a long, creamy finish.

## PAIRINGS

Made with food in mind, this is a sublime pairing for spiced duck, Asian dishes or summer fruits.

Aromatic Crispy Duck - Summer Pudding – Fragrant Asian Salads

All Ridgeview wines are suitable for vegans and vegetarians. Contains Sulphites

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