SMITH-MADRONE

2021 Estate Grown Rosé

This is the third release of the Smith-Madrone Rosé and a continuity of style is clearly emerging. The first thing one notices about a Smith-Madrone Rosé is the extravagant, piercing color; it's such a vibrant pink it's practically radioactive. It's a reliable signal that something a little different is going on here.

Aromatically the wine leads with what are now characteristic notes of sour cherries, strawberry and attar of roses. Like most good wines this impression is reinforced by the first sip. The wine demonstrates real panache; it comes across as fresh and lively with an excellent marriage of bright fruit and juicy acidity. The mid-palate is silky and luscious and is anchored by a firm core of minerality. The finish is clean, crisp, flavorful and refreshing.

What stands out about the Smith-Madrone Rosé is its fun-quotient. It's just a delightful glass of wine that will pair beautifully with a wide variety of food or be completely satisfactory by itself.

PS: While the Rosé is delicious coming right out of the refrigerator, don't be afraid to let it warm up to room temperature. The aroma and flavors will blossom out like a beautiful morning in the garden.

Appellation:	Napa Valley
Sub-appellation:	Spring Mountain District
Farming:	Dry-farmed estate mountain
Varietal Content:	33% Merlot, 67% Cabernet Franc
Fermentation:	Cold fermented in stainless steel
рН:	3.18
Titratable Acidity:	0.8 g/100 ml
Alcohol:	14.1 %
Harvest Dates:	September 20 – 22, 2021
Cases Produced:	165 cases_
Winegrowers & Winemakers	Charles Smith, Stuart Smith & François Bugué