

BALBOA

2017 ROSÉ

Tasting Notes

Expressive aromas of peach, wild mountain strawberry, raspberry, jasmine and dried rose. The palate opens with golden raspberry, white peach and rhubarb leading into minerality and bright acidity.

Production Notes

A blend of Canyon's Vineyard Mourvèdre, Summit View Vineyard Grenache and Black Prince Vineyard Cinsault grown specifically for rosé.

Vineyards

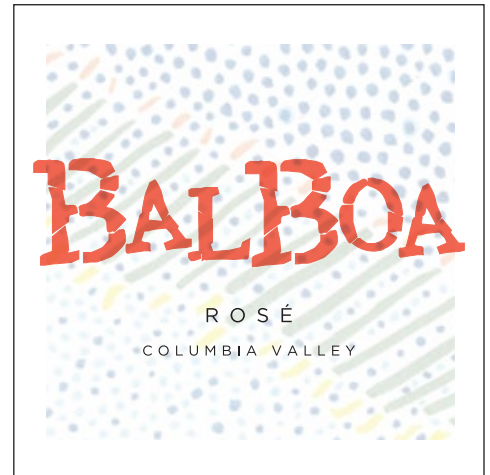
- Black Prince Vineyard, 'Rocks District of Milton Freewater', Walla Walla Valley
- Canyon's Vineyard, Red Mountain
- Summit View Vineyard, Walla Walla Valley

Winemaking

- Hand harvested grapes
- Picked early in the morning
- Fruit was destemmed and left on skins for an average of 4 hours
- Fermentation took place in stainless steel tanks
- The wines were blended and aged for 6 months
- Cross-flow filtration prior to bottling

Vintage

- 2017 was overall a moderate year, delaying harvest by about a week
- The vintage started with a cool, wet spring with bud break occurring in early April
- Bloom occurred in early June catching up with the long-term averages
- August temperatures were slightly warmer than average, increasing fruit maturation with cooler nights to retain natural acids
- Balboa's harvest started on September 13th lasting through the end of October



Wine Data

<i>Appellation</i>	Walla Walla Valley
<i>Varietal</i>	Rhone Blend
<i>Composition</i>	52% Mourvèdre
.....	47% Grenache
.....	1% Cinsault
<i>Vineyards</i>	Black Prince Vineyard
.....	Canyon's Vineyard
.....	Summit View Vineyard
<i>Vintage</i>	2017

Technical Notes

<i>pH</i>	3.39
<i>Total Acidity</i>	6.4 g/L
<i>Alcohol</i>	13.2%
<i>Harvest Date</i>	September 14-29, 2017
<i>Bottling Date</i>	February 22, 2018
<i>Production</i>	226 cases