

# BALBOA

## 2020 Sparkling Rosé

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### Tasting Notes

Opens with enticing aromas of stone fruits, honeysuckle, pink roses and Meyer lemon. The palate leads into pomegranate, tangerine, fresh citrus and spiced white peach balanced upon bright natural acidity.

### Production Notes

Our 2020 Sparkling Rosé, is a blend of Mourvèdre from Canyon's Vineyard and Grenache from Summit View Vineyard grown and harvested specifically for Rosé wine.

### Vineyards

- 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
- Small lot fermentations at cool temperature in stainless steel tanks
- The wine was blended and aged for 6 months in stainless steel
- Light fining and cross flow filtration prior to bottling

### Vintage

- 2020 was overall a very mild year with below average heat units.
- Bud break occurred in mid-April with temperatures warming throughout May helping with bloom and vine development.
- Cooler June temperatures were followed by warm July and August tracked onto long term averages.
- Harvest began on September 9<sup>th</sup> and lasted through mid-October, with some wildfire smoke causing some varieties to not be harvested in 2020.
- This vintage has led to elegant wines with high natural acidity and slightly lower alcohols, making them perfect food pairing wines.

### Wine Data

*Appellation* ..... Columbia Valley  
*Varietal*.....Rhône Blend Rosé  
*Composition*.....68% Mourvèdre  
.....32% Grenache  
*Vineyards*.....Canyon's Vineyard  
.....Summit View Vineyard  
*Vintage*.....2020

### Technical Notes

*pH*.....3.37  
*Total Acidity*.....5.8 g/L  
*Alcohol*.....13.1%  
*Harvest Date*..... 9/10-9/15  
*Bottling Date* ..... January 26<sup>th</sup>, 2021  
*Production* .....300 cases