



2012
AIKEN PINOT NOIR ROSE
SONOMA MOUNTAIN

DETAILS

VARIETAL:
100% Pinot Noir

VINEYARD:
Silver Pines

APPELLATION:
Sonoma Mountain

BOTTLING INFO:
Bottled December 13, 2012
40 cases produced

ALCOHOL:
14.2%

PRICE:
\$30

THE WINE

From the remarkable Silver Pines Vineyard at nearly 1000 ft. elevation on Sonoma Mountain, this Pinot Noir Rose is a blend of clones UCD 23 and Pommard. The dark fruit flavors of clone 23 blend beautifully with the perfume and complexity of Pommard. Tiny yields produced an intense, fruity rose that will pair well with many summertime foods.

Gentle handling began in the vineyard with hand harvesting at night, followed by cluster and berry sorting in the winery. After de-stemming, the fruit dropped by gravity into the tank and after sitting overnight, juice was drawn off to make the rose. Next, the cool fermentation began in stainless steel to preserve the youthful fruit.

PHILOSOPHY

Joel Aiken's goal is to produce wines of distinction from exceptional vineyards in outstanding appellations. With over 30 years of winemaking experience, Joel knows the vineyards and growers capable of producing exceptional grapes for these wines.