

## Borthwick Vineyard

### 2018 Pinot Rosè

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**Region:** Gladstone, Wairarapa, New Zealand

**Variety:** Pinot Noir

**Analysis:**

Alcohol: 13.5%

Total acid: 5.8g/l

pH: 3.31

Residual sugar: 2.0g/l

**Tasting notes:** Aromas of fresh strawberry, stone fruit and watermelon. The palate is full and lush with summer berry fruits. Dry finish with balanced acidity, this Rosé is a summer afternoon delight.

**Vintage Conditions:** : 2018 was one of our earliest harvests. Beautifully hot in November, December and January and a following cool February, March allowed the grapes to ripen slowly with great flavours and aromatics. A year that showed the exacting vineyard management qualities and decisional capabilities of an experienced and valued team from our vineyard.

**Fermentation:** A clonal selection of Pinot Noir was used to make this Rosé. Picked early to retain low alcohol, refreshing acidity and fresh fruit flavors, the fruit was soaked on skins for 12 hours prior to gentle pressing. The juice was inoculated and fermented slowly to retain aromatics, while fermentation was stopped with a small amount of residual sugar to balance the palate.

**History:** Established in 1996 the family owned and managed vineyard produces wine with flavours that are a direct reflection of the Gladstone region. Ancient stony, alluvial soils and a cool climate allows the grapes to grow in harmony in their environment. Sustainable practices and minimal intervention in the vineyard and winery allow our wines to display their distinctive single vineyard characteristics.

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