



## 2021 Paddy Borthwick Pinot Rose

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



**Tasting notes:** Raspberry and cherry fruit, candied apple and watermelon aromas. Good palate weight, fresh raspberry flavour, finishing with blackberry tartness. Fermentation was in stainless tank, before a portion was transferred to older French oak barrels for a short period to add texture to the palate.

**Vintage Conditions:** The growing season for the 2021 vintage saw an early budburst with high growing degree days resulting in the earliest harvest ever. Dry December with some cold winds reduced set but good canopies allowed the fruit to ripen fully at the harvest. Great flavours colour and balance across the varieties.

**Viticulture:** Several different Pinot Noir clones are selected for the Rosé; we feel this adds layers of flavour to the resulting wine. Two vineyards provided the fruit for the 2021 Pinot Rose..

**Winemaking:** Two techniques were used to obtain the juice for the Rose ferments. Berries were crushed and gently pressed for one portion. For the other portion, different pinot noir vats were selected and after a few hours of skin contact a small volume was drawn off each and combined. The juices were settled and then racked to stainless tank for fermentation.

**Analysis:**

Alcohol: 13.5%

Total acid: 6.8g/l

pH: 3.31

Residual sugar: 1.7g/l

**History:** Established in 1996, proudly family owned and managed, Borthwick Vineyard produces wines that are a direct reflection of the Gladstone region, New Zealand. Ancient stony, alluvial soils, a cool climate, sustainable practices and minimal intervention in the vineyard and winery, mean our wines display distinctive single vineyard characteristics.