



## 2023 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 2023 vintage saw an early budburst with high growing degree days resulting in an earlier than usual harvest. 2023 provided some challenging growing conditions but good vineyard and canopy management and many extra hours amongst the canopy during the lead up to harvest produced clean ripe fruit at harvest time. Great flavours colour and balance across the varietals.

**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 2022 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: 13.0%

Total acid: 6.6g/l

pH: 3.47

Residual sugar: 3.5g/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.