

# TECHNICAL & TASTING NOTES

WINE LEEUWIN ESTATE ROSÉ

VINTAGE 2021

% VARIETAL 100% SHIRAZ



## THE YEAR

2021 provided a milder Margaret River vintage, but produced fruit with fantastic intensity.

2020's winter was typically wet and windy with heavy falls in July, August and September resulting in close to average rainfall. Chardonnay was the first variety to burst in the last week of August, followed by the Riesling and Cabernet through late August and September. Chardonnay cap fall was mostly complete by November 10.

Summer was generally warm with few hot days experienced. Veraison was first noted in the estate Pinot Noir vineyards in the final days of December and Chardonnay veraison commenced in the first week of January. Bird nets went onto the vineyards through early January, however a substantial and prolonged show of Marri blossom in the region kept the birds out of the vineyards until March when its flowering was complete.

Harvest commenced in the last week of January with Pinot Noir for the Estate Brut. Weather in the first weeks of February was mild and 80mm of rain fell, providing welcome relief for the unirrigated vineyards. Shiraz was harvest in the final days of March.

## TASTING NOTES

Energetic nose with a myriad of pink grapefruit, watermelon and pomegranate. Heightened floral notes elevate the primary fruits woven with orange blossom, rose petals and delicate cinnamon and white pepper.

Luscious palate with gentle entry threaded with blood orange, fresh raspberries and subtle black pastilles. Saline acidity offers freshness and line that meets a creamy and textural mid palate. Campari notes to finish.

## VINIFICATION

Sourced from selected Shiraz vineyards. Each parcel had short term skin contact, before being run off to tank for settling, racking and consequent inoculation. Low ferment temperatures preserved freshness and aromatics, lasting for two weeks. Post fermentation light fining occurred, with complete stabilisation prior to bottling.

FINING	Bentonite, PVPP & Milk	FILTRATION	Sterile
FINAL ALCOHOL	13.5%	AVERAGE BRIX	22.5
FINAL ACID	6.45 G/L	FINAL PH	3.14
BOTTLING DATE	17 August 2021	RELEASE DATE	September 2021

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