

Three Miners Rocker Box Rosé 2022

Tasting notes

Made from 100% Pinot Noir grapes. Bursting aromas of strawberry, white nectarine and melon leap out of the glass almost obscuring more bashful undertones of ripe pear, honeysuckle, and melon. On the palate, the peach stands out, but is also joined by pineapple and cranberry. This is a bright and expressive wine with initial juicy summer berry flavours that give way to notes of dried flowers. Supported by crisp acidity and a lingering hint of white tea and lime pith on the finish.

Food match: Seafood, light salads, light pasta dishes

Winemaking notes

Pinot Noir grapes were hand harvested on the 17th of April 2021 at 22 Brix from Three Miners Vineyard, near Alexandra. The fruit was whole bunch pressed and then allowed to settle overnight. The juice was settled for 24 hours and then racked to two tanks and fermentation begun using various inoculated yeasts. The juice was fermented cool to retain flavour and the fermentation stopped once flavour, sugar and acid balance was reached.

Technical data

Alcohol 13.6%

pH 3.3

TA 6.2 g/L

RS 3.63 g/L

Sulphite declaration: contains sulphites

Fining agent declaration: nil

No. standard drinks in 750 ml bottle: 8.0

Bottling date: 9th September 2021

Winemaker: Matt Connell

Awards

93/100 Sam Kim, Wine Orbit

93/100 Candice Chow, Raymond Chan Wine Reviews

ROCKER BOX - In many areas of Central Otago where water was scarce, gold miners used rocker boxes. Miners poured water slowly over sand and silt at the top of the sloping box, gently rocking the box like a cradle to wash and trap alluvial gold.