

SANDHILL



ROSÉ 2008

SANDHILL ESTATE VINEYARD

GROWING CONDITIONS

The 2008 growing season began nearly three weeks later than normal and the cooler than average temperatures resulted in delayed budding and flowering of the vines. Summer also arrived late but brought with it warmer temperatures and longer hours of sunlight required for further fruit development.

With autumn arriving earlier than expected, grapes were left hanging longer than usual in order to allow for further fruit ripening. Precipitation was normal and did not interfere with harvest which began in mid-September and extended into November. With fewer berries per cluster, 2008 resulted in a juicy harvest and superior quality wines.

WINEMAKING

- Gentle crush
- Four day cold soak
- Juice was drained off the skins. Known as Saignée, a traditional method used in Southern France
- Cool fermentation and aged in stainless steel tanks for 4 months.

WINE ANALYSIS

Alcohol	13%
Dryness Code	0
Sugar	3g/litre
TA	5.7g/litre

Release Date	April 7, 2008
Cases Produced	372
CSPC	583351
PID	1055627
BC Retail	\$17.99

FLAVOUR PROFILE

- Pretty, salmon pink colour with aromas of wild strawberry, ripe cherry and just a touch of peach.
- A dry, medium-bodied wine with plenty of refreshing fruit flavours of pomegranate, raspberry and red currant.
- Pairs well with pork tenderloin with rhubarb sauce, Mediterranean appetizers and gourmet pizza with crumbled feta cheese.

WINEMAKER NOTES

"This is the first vintage of our Sandhill Rosé which is a combination of Gamay Noir and Cabernet Franc grapes. A special yeast for fruity white wines was used and gave the wine flavours of juicy strawberry and raspberry hard candies. The result is a delicious Rosé that is a gorgeous colour and balanced on the palate. Drink fresh."

- Howard Soon, Winemaker

A TRUE EXPRESSION OF THE VINEYARD

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1000-1200 WEST 73RD AVENUE VANCOUVER, BC CANADA V6P 6G5 T 604-267-9463 F 604-264-6810
VQA OKANAGAN VALLEY VQA

