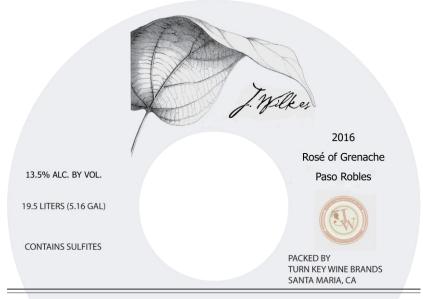


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## 2016 ROSÉ GRENACHE PASO ROBLES



GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.

Eye: Watermelon/Strawberry pink with excellent clarity. Beautiful depth of color in the glass.

*Nose:* White cherry, Grenache/ grapey/ vinous, bright and primary with hints of white flowers, slate/minerality and enticing freshness.

*Mouth:* Delivers on the taste buds with juicy, fruity, youthful, come-hither deliciousness. Nearly bone dry with roundness: deep fruit/flowers/ minerals that keep the glass emptying (and quickly!). Shows both the grapey/ primary influence of the predominant Grenache percentage, but also the complexity from a healthy splash of Syrah, a tiny bit of Mourvedre and crafty but almost insignificant additions of white aromatic Rhone varietals.

*Match:* Dozen raw oysters, Bouillabaisse, Speck ham on a banquette with whole grain mustard, salmon crudo, or my favorite: 2 Dungeness crabs stemmed with tools and a bowl of drawn garlic butter.

*Age:* This wine will show primary character for at least a few years and will also show amazing complexity and mineral depth as the baby fat falls off in years 3-5. No reason to age it, its youthful charm asks for it to be consumed with youthful abandon, if not indiscretion.

**Alcohol:** 13.5%

Titratable Acidity: 5.6 g/L

*pH*: 3.4