## HANDLEY CELLARS BRUT ROSÉ ESTATE VINEYARD ANDERSON VALLEY

Pinot Noir and Chardonnay. Beneath its pale salmon color lies a rich fruit forward sparkler. This wine shows an elegant bouquet of fresh baked dinner rolls, rose petals and fresh pressed linens. It excites the palate with bright flavors of raspberries, strawberries and cream, kiwi and a hint of lemon lime. The effervescence is delicate, fine and long lived. The wine is round and full in the mouth finishing dry, crisp and cleansing. Organic.

The grapes for this sparkling rose originated from the Handley CCOF Organic Certified winery estate vineyard. Pinot Noir (70%) from block 7 and Chardonnay (30%) for this blend. Ten miles from the Pacific coast, cool foggy nights and bright sunny days characterize the Handley Estate Vineyard in Anderson Valley's "Deep End." One of California's coolest grape growing regions, the climate of Anderson Valley is ideal for the Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, and Gewürztraminer planted here.

Handley Cellars firmly believes in a conscious and conscientious approach to farming and winemaking. They purchase grapes from small, local, family growers, and whenever possible, the fruit selected is farmed organically. Their winemaking philosophy is to let the distinctive qualities of each vineyard shine through. Working with carefully tended, exceptional sites, they strive to create wines which faithfully reflect the unique characteristics of the vineyards and viticultural region, focusing on the appellation of Anderson Valley. They select vineyards that fully ripen at lower brix, resulting in wines with low to moderate alcohol levels. Beginning with the 2012 vintage, their white wines are free of animal products. From start to finish, they are mindful of their impact on their rural valley, and the implications of their farming and winemaking choices for future generations.

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## Tasting Note:

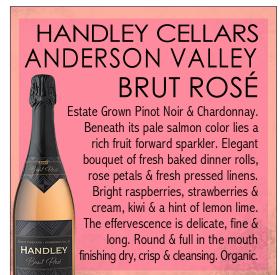
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## Shelf Talker:



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