

# KIVELSTADT CELLARS WONDERING SPARKLING ROSÉ

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Johnson Family Ranch is farmed organically by Peter Johnson, who does an amazing job in the vineyard. He has tended this old vine Pinot noir for quite some time and we were lucky to get our hands on them! The deep soil of Capella enables these vines to be dry farmed. The Pinot noir was picked to be sparkling. It comes in so tart you can barely taste it. We ferment the wine to dryness and then barrel down for malolactic fermentation. Both primary and secondary fermentation occur with native yeast. Days before the bottling we restart the fermentation by adding sugar to the wine. This creates an estimated 4 atmospheres of pressure. (For reference champagne usually has 6-8 atm). And violá! Sparkling. The wine is non disgorged in order to maintain time on the lees.

Jordan Kivelstadt founded Kivelstadt Cellars in 2007 when he made 125 cases of Syrah from his family's estate in Bennett Valley. Founded on the love of sustainable California vineyards, heritage vines & the knowledge that unique varietals have so much value. They source about 11% of our grapes from estate vineyards, while the rest is sourced from incredible partnering, unique, historic, organic vineyards that span throughout Northern California. Minimal intervention in the winery allows the vineyards to speak for themselves & express their individual personalities & terroir. They strive to make no additions, use only native fermentations & limit new oak to showcase the beauty created by the vine. They pride themselves on making products that are individual & unique, while maintaining prices that make wines accessible to everyone.

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# Tasting Note:

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