

# SMITH-MADRONE

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## 2018 Estate Grown Rosé

This is the inaugural release of the very first Smith-Madrone Rosé. Over the course of the last few harvests we have experimented with small lots and 2018 proved to be the charm. The result is this captivating, intensely hued wine that just happens to be pink. The color is a slightly wild combination of watermelon and salmon of unusual intensity and visual interest.

Aromatically it leads with fetching floral and strawberry notes, topped by a distinct element of roses. The impression of roses follows through on the palate. This element in the wine is the Cabernet Franc asserting itself. It gives way to a silky mid-palate and considerable depth of flavor, finally finishing with a succulent texture and considerable depth of flavor, finishing with a succulent, mouthwatering acidity. The overall impression is of a wine that is not only delicious and lively on the palate but is perhaps a bit more serious than most Rosés.

Appellation:	Napa Valley
Sub-appellation:	Spring Mountain District
Farming:	Dry-farmed estate mountain
Varietal Content:	50% Merlot, 50% Cabernet Franc
Fermentation:	Small bins at cellar temperature
pH:	3.16
Total Acidity:	.75g/100 ml
Alcohol:	14.3%
Harvest Dates:	September 22 and 28, 2018
Cases Produced:	105 cases
Winemakers & Winegrowers:	Charles Smith, Sam Smith & Stuart Smith

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