

## 2018 Sparkling Rosé RTR EstateVineyard

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## **Harvest Notes:**

Late spring and early summer of 2018 was dry and relatively warm. In fact, it started to look like a repeat of 2016. Then Mother Nature flipped the script and handed us day after day of rain as mid-August rolled around. Torrential downpours caused flash floods in the region, with some areas getting as much as 7 inches of rain in a matter of hours. We were on the lower end with just about 3 inches of rain from the first major rainstorm. Finally, after persistent rain, some much needed warmth came to help with ripening, but with the heat came humidity. The humidity forced us to work overtime in the vineyard to prevent as much disease pressure as possible. Harvest kicked off, August 31st at Red Tail Ridge with fruit from the newest block, Earl's Place. Sparkling harvest began in early September with some extra hand sorting to mitigate any damage caused by the humid end to the growing season. Fruit yields were average, but coming off the 2017 abundant vintage, it felt smaller.

**Appellation:** Finger Lakes AVA **Soil Type(s):** Glacial Till, Siltstone

Vines Planted: 2005

Harvest Date: September 5, 2018

Initial Tirage: July 2019
Sweetness: Extra Brut

**ABV: 12%** 

Cases Produced: 103

## **Tasting Notes:**

Juicy aromas lead to flavors of raspberry and orange peel, with hints of strawberries and cream. Round acidity lifts and accentuates the finish.



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