

2020 SKYLARK PINK BELLY ROSE

Winemakers: John Lancaster & Robert Perkins
Rose of Grenache

Alc 12.8%
pH 3.19
Ta 6.2

Vineyard: Ashurst Vineyard
Appellation: Mendocino County
Production: 650 cases produced
Available in .750ml bottles and 5gl keg

Aging potential:

Best from 2021 to 2024

Tasting notes:

Pale salmon color. Bright, fresh and invigorating aromas of just ripe cherry, green strawberry, watermelon and citrus zest. The palate is sleek and savory, with the red fruits of summer enlivened by the lemony acidity. The dry and penetrating finish leaves the palate refreshed and ready for the encore.

In the vineyard:

Skylark Pink Belly Rose is sourced from Kurt Ashurst's Grenache vineyard just outside of Hopland in Mendocino County. Kurt farms this solely for our Rose production, picking early to preserve freshness and acidity, the hallmark characters of Pink Belly Rose. From a grape-growing standpoint, 2020 was extremely challenging and difficult, but what we have created is juicy, red-fruited and lively rose that delivers what every rose should – happiness.

In the cellar:

Ashurst Grenache is produced the traditional style for rose – picked early, whole-cluster pressed, skin contact for color and then racked to its stainless steel home. After primary fermentation is complete, we block malolactic fermentation and bottle in spring with a light filtration.