RIDGE 2025 LYTTON ESTATE ROSÉ

40% GRENACHE, 26% ZINFANDEL, 11% CINSAUT, 11% COUNOISE, 10% MATARO, 2% CARIGNANE (organically grown)
13.0% ALCOHOL BY VOLUME

HISTORY
Our first Lytton Estate Rosé was 2016. Each year, since then, we make a rosé culled from the range of Rhône varieties and zinfandel planted throughout our Lytton Springs vineyard. Extemporaneously produced by taste, the makeup of the wine changes vintage-to-vintage. As such, each spring upon release, it offers a unique opportunity to experience an old vineyard from a fresh angle.

FIRST RIDGE LYTTON ESTATE ROSE 2016

VINTAGE
Rainfall: 50 inches (above average)
Bloom: Mid-May
Weather: A long, cool summer and fall led to a later harvest.
Harvest Dates: 22 August - 6 October
Grapes: Average Brix 21.0˚

WINEMAKING & TECHNICAL DATA
Fermentation: 100% direct-to-press whole-cluster; natural primary and secondary in stainless steel.
Aging: Three months in 100% stainless steel

Hand-harvested, organically grown, estate grapes; whole-cluster pressed; fermented in stainless steel, followed by a full malolactic on the naturally occurring malolactic bacteria; minimum effective sulfur for this wine (35ppm at crush, 41ppm over the course of aging); pad filtered at bottling. In keeping with our philosophy of minimal intervention, this is the sum of our actions.

2025 Lytton Estate Rosé, bottled 12/25
A third year of above average rainfall replenished the vines. Six picks in order of ripeness began on August 22nd with young cinsaut from Lytton East. This block brought natural acidity from the lower sugar and pH. The final rosé pick, on October 6th, was ripe mataro and grenache from young vines at Lytton West. Pure, elegant fruit flavors highlight this expression of our Estate vineyard. SR (11/25)

SITE
Lytton Springs Vineyard is located on the bench and hills separating Dry Creek and Alexander Valleys, just north of Healdsburg, Sonoma County.
Soils: Varied, with a predominance of gravelly clay; gravelly clay loam on hillsides.
Age of Vines: Lytton East: zinfandel, petite sirah, and carignane planted 1901 (32 acres) and 1910 (11 acres); zinfandel and petite sirah, planted 1997-1998 (5 acres), Lytton West: zinfandel, petite sirah, carignane, re-planted 1953-1968 (26 acres); zinfandel and petite sirah, planted 1980's (2.5 acres); zinfandel and petite sirah planted in 1990's (42.8 acres); zinfandel, petite sirah, and carignane, in 2000's (60 acres).
Training: Head trained (no trellis) spur pruned.
Yields: 3 tons per acre

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