

# 2018 ROSATO, LOS OLIVOS DISTRICT

#### THE CRAFT

VINEYARD: Walker Vineyard

AVA: Los Olivos District

**FERMENTATION**: 100% Native Yeast **BARREL**: Neutral French Oak

BOTTLED: March 2019 ALCOHOL: 12.5% PRODUCTION: 150 Cases

#### THE STORY

Located in the Los Olivos District AVA on Alamo Pintado Road, Walker Vineyard lies on an ancient creek with alluvial rock and sandy loam soils. Days begin with cool, coastal fog from the Pacific Ocean hovering over the vineyard, chased away midmorning by warm winds drifting over the San Rafael Mountains to the east. Sunny, warm days provide the necessary temperature to fully ripen the grapes, and the cold, clear nights of the region retain the lively food-friendly acidity for which Barbera is known for.

Barbera gives this wine its beautiful color and acidity while Dolcetto adds the tannin and lush fruit character.

#### Tasting Notes

A rose gold color with translucent coral edges, brilliantly shining from the glass. A swirl brings forth aromas of raspberry and honeydew melon. A taste sensation occurs at the first sip, with fresh raspberries dominating the palate accompanied by refreshing and lively acidity of mandarin orange and pink grapefruit. The finish is clean and graceful.

## FOOD PAIRINGS

The 2018 Rosato is an excellent pairing with vegetarian dishes, chicken and meatier fish.

### **DRINKING WINDOW**

Rosatos are made to be enjoyed young when they are released just in time for summer. However, the 2018 Palmina Rosato has both the structure and acidity to age well for an additional 3-5 years.

