



## Iron Horse Vineyards 2006 Rose de Pinot Noir Technical Data

**Appellation:** Sonoma County-Green Valley

**Winemaker's Tasting Notes:** This wine is perfectly lovely in the glass - pretty as pink can be. The wine itself is an intense experience of fresh wild strawberries.

**Precision Farming:** Precision farming is a fact-based wine growing philosophy that utilizes the latest technology - GIS/GPS mapping and CAD computer models - focusing on smaller and more tightly delineated vineyard blocks by soil type, aspect and elevation. All pruning, canopy management, irrigation, cover crop and harvesting decisions are determined on a block-by-block (and sometimes even vine-by-vine) basis, considering both the vintage at hand and the long term needs of the land. We use the best tools technology provides and up to date viticulture - balanced by our 30 years of experience and thriving passion.

**Vineyard Specifics:** The grapes for this wine are the same as we use for our Estate Pinot Noir and come from five distinct blocks of vineyard within the Green Valley estate, at the heart of Sonoma County's star Pinot growing area.

**Average Age of the Vines:** 17 years at harvest.

**Harvest Dates:** September 20 to October 5, 2006.

**Winemaking Techniques:** The grapes were destemmed into a tank where they steeped on their skins ( cold soaked ) for seven days. At that time, 12% of the juice was "bled off" the tank to make the remaining red wine more intense. The juice that was bled off was fermented in stainless steel and bottled separately as this dry Rose.

**Barrels:** None

**Blend:** 100% Pinot Noir

**Malolactic Fermentation:** None

**Date Bottled:** March 2006

**Residual Sugar:** 0.4 g/100ml

**Alcohol:** 13.8% v/v

**Acidity:** 0.54 g/100ml

**pH:** 3:45

**Release Date:** April 2006

**Total Production:** 648 cases

**Suggested Retail Price:** \$16/bottle

**Food Pairings:** English pea soup with crab, meyer lemon and pea shoots, Black Forest ham and Gruyere on baguette, spring pea and asparagus tartlets.