



## ROCKBURN STOLEN KISS 2024

It all started with a kiss! A Stolen Kiss Rosé back in 2006, when winemaker Malcolm Rees-Francis “stole” some Pinot Noir grapes that were destined for Rockburn’s flagship Central Otago Pinot Noir and turned them into one of the country’s first premium Rosé wines.

The story goes after a missed 2007 vintage there was a public outcry about the lack of Stolen Kiss, the cult wine was consistently made every year since, with the 2024 vintage marking its 18<sup>th</sup> release.

### BOUQUET & PALATE

Strawberries and cream, cherries both red and black, a little blueberry, a little grapefruit zest.

### MATCH

Best enjoyed chilled on sultry afternoons and evenings

Alcohol:	13.0%
Titrateable Acidity:	8.2 g/l
Residual Sugar:	12.0g/l
pH level:	3.30



### VITICULTURE

Grape Variety:	100% Pinot Noir
Training & Trellis:	Vertical Shoot Position (VSP)
Soils:	Sandy loams over river gravels
Vineyard Location:	Parkburn & Alexandra
Climate Comment:	Warm and early spring, cool summer
Vintage Climate:	Early, mild, some rain events
Harvest Date:	21 March-10 April 2024

#### Viticulturist Comment:

Very clean fruit and carefully controlled yields

### WINEMAKING

Winemaker:	Malcolm Rees-Francis
Fermentation:	Multiple cool ferments of juice given minimal skin contact, in stainless steel, stopped just short of dryness.

#### Vintage Comment:

An El Niño weather pattern resulted in a cooler summer for Central Otago than usual, which allowed for some gentle ripening, while sensible yields still meant harvest began in mid-March. Bright acidity, excellent concentration, clean fruit, and healthy ferments; the wines of 2024 will be forthright and direct in the story they have to tell, very tasty, and sure to be long lived.

### PACKAGING & PRODUCTION

Pack Size	6x750ml & 4x1.5L
Closure:	Screw Cap
Bottle Barcode (750ml)	9421902445361
Case Barcode (6x750ml)	09421902445699