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## 2016 Rosé

### Winemaker's Notes

*"The 2016 vintage shaped up to be a hot one, but the heat backed off considerably early on giving us grapes that had a chance to mature more slowly to develop flavor. We picked the Rosé grapes at the ideal point of flavor development, acidity and tannin level to ensure a wine that was lively, interesting and an elegant pale in color.*

*Our dry Rosé is Syrah dominant and expresses aromas of ruby red grapefruit, watermelon, cranberry, and a hint of white tea. I like the fresh herbal and citrus quality that Tempranillo brings to the blend. When blended with Syrah, the two complement one another nicely. Our Rosé expresses a bright lively acidity with a round fruit driven mid-palate, finishing crisp and clean."*

-Emily Haines, Winemaker

### Overview

A pioneer of the Columbia Valley wine region, Butch Milbrandt saw potential in Eastern Washington. This fourth-generation farmer took a risk in planting grapes and soon became recognized for helping establish two of the top AVAs in Washington State: Ancient Lakes and Wahluke Slope. Now a multi-generational brand with Butch and his son Buck taking the lead, Milbrandt Vineyards remains a symbol of perseverance and reward. A premium wine tier as well as an introductory wine tier is available nationwide- both delivering uncompromising quality.

This bold and innovative father-son team put faith in a young winemaker. Emily Haines has a knack for consistently crafting wines with superior quality in each wine tier. She's one of the youngest winemakers in Washington to oversee a large winery producing over 40,000 cases. She's a certified live music fanatic and homebrew artisan. She attended Eastern Washington University where she graduated with a double major in Biology and Chemistry with emphasis in Biotechnology and Biochemistry.

### Composition

75% Syrah, 25% Tempranillo

AVA: Columbia Valley

Alcohol: 12%

RS: Dry

TA: 6.80

pH: 3.29

Harvest: October 2016

Cases: 3900