



## RATHFINNY WINE ESTATE ROSÉ 2015

Our Sparkling Rosé is a Pinot Noir-dominated blend, which we feel beautifully encapsulates the fruit-forward yet sophisticated Rathfinny house-style.

**RELEASE DATE.** June 2018

**BLEND.** 50% Pinot Noir, 40% Chardonnay, 10% Pinot Meunier

**LEES AGEING.** 24 months

**FERMENTATION.** Inoculated with commercial yeast, fermented in stainless steel tanks at 16°C. The red Pinot Noir Precoce was aged in barrels for 6 months

**PH.** 3.10

**TA.** 11g/l

**DOSAGE.** 2.5g/l

**MALOLACTIC FERMENTATION.** 100%

**ABV.** 12.5%

**FINING AGENT.** Isinglass, Bentonite

**VEGETARIAN / VEGAN.** No

**TASTING NOTE.** Light-coral in hue, Rathfinny Rosé 2015 has a nose of Chantilly cream-drizzled strawberries, a delicate palate with great structural minerality, an enticingly full mousse and a long, elegant peachy finish.

**FOOD MATCH.** Our Sparkling Rosé is a versatile match with Asian-inspired savoury dishes, as well as fruit-based desserts such as Eton Mess, Strawberries and Cream and Rhubarb Crumble.

**VINTAGE.** Spring arrived late in 2015 after a cold winter, both budburst and flowering were a week later than 2014, but we had a reasonable flowering and a warm summer which helped ripen a small crop. We began harvest on the 19th October and despite the rainfall in August and September the fruit was very clean and of good quality.

## ABOUT RATHFINNY

Rathfinny Wine Estate in East Sussex was founded in 2010 by husband and wife, Mark and Sarah Driver. Once a working arable farm, the first vines were planted in 2012 and today Rathfinny comprises 185 acres of predominantly Pinot Noir, Chardonnay and Pinot Meunier, with a further 215 acres to be planted by 2021.

Located on a perfect, south-facing slope in the South Downs National Park just three miles from the sea, Rathfinny enjoys a climate, chalk soil and aspect that are perfect for producing world-class sparkling wine. Its RIBA-nominated winery is the largest and greenest purpose-built winery in the UK, self-sufficient in both energy and water.

With renowned winemaker Jonathan Médard from Épernay, and Cameron Roucher from New Zealand managing the Estate, Rathfinny looks set to achieve quality levels that will see their Sussex Sparkling wines winning awards the world over.

Rathfinny's first sparkling wines, a Blanc de Blancs and a Rosé, released in June 2018, are targeted at premium On-Trade and Independent Off-Trade accounts. A plan for international export will see Rathfinny selling up to 50 per cent of its production to key overseas markets within Europe, Asia and North America immediately upon release.

