

Château D'ESCLANS DOMAINES SACHA LICHINE



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It is extremely exciting to announce that the 2023 Château d'Esclans Rosé has so much gravitas and purity... I would go so far as to say the silhouette of this wine is more Puligny-like than many Pulignys! This is easily the most exciting estate Esclans to date, and it is fabulously open and vibrant with skipping stone flavours and lashings of joie de vivre.

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A juicy, focused and succulent rosé expressing notes of forest berries, dried apricots and some baking spices. It's medium-bodied with a dense core of juicy berries and a delicious finish. Drink now.

#### Tribune deGenève

This vintage is composed of Grenache and Rolle. It offers a fairly present aroma characterized by notes of white flowers, raspberry, white peach with vanilla and spicy nuances. On the palate, it seduces with balance and elegance. Its supple texture and great persistence lead to a very pleasant fresh finish. A perfect accompaniment to summer salads or shellfish such as mussels mariniere.

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**GRAPES GROWN FROM** CHATEAU D'ESCLANS' VINEYARD, CONSISTING PRIMARILY OF GRENACHE AND ROLLE (VERMENTINO). HARVESTING AT SUNRISE TO NOON. GRAPES ARE SORTED BY **OPTICAL EYE ELECTRONICALLY** AND MANUALLY THREE TIMES. DESTEMMING AND SLIGHT CRUSHING AT 7-8°C TO AVOID **OXIDATION. FREE RUN JUICE** AND FIRST SLIGHT PRESSING. NO MACERATION. BOTH FREE RUN JUICE AND PRESSED JUICE PARTIALLY VINIFIED IN **DEMI-MUIDS (600L BARRELS)** AND STAINLESS STEEL, BOTH

Spicy oak very evident on the nose, with a smoky dark saline schistous toastiness. On the palate, first impressions are of sweet white peaches, rich creamy weight, and well-integrated sweet, nutty oak. But there is so much more.Vibrant and crystalline acidity with the oak giving, almost invisible, almost invisibly some dark mineral structure and a tannic hint of wild hedgerow fruit on the finish. As the wine opens up, the fruit reveals some tropical notes with hints of pineapple and papaya and a fleeting glimpse of cherry compote. A very refined rosé that isn't afraid of its oaky component. On the finish, lovely freshness, lacy elegance and some fine textured. Elizabeth Gabay MW

## Sommeliers' SELECTION

A beautiful, serious rosé with a floral driven nose, herbaceous and elegant.Wild strawberry, garrigue, grapefruit and lemon pith. Reasonably powerful in the mouth, lovely texture shows ripe stone fruits and a gentle phenolic bitterness, there's a saline core and leesy notes on the finish.Tart and ripe fruit tones are nicely balanced leaving the wine light on its feet. A wine with great poise which can handle a myriad of different cuisines with delicate or strong profiles.