# LONE BIRCH



LONE BIRCH VAKIMA VALLEY ROSÉ ESTATE GROWN

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# Style:

This wine is handcrafted in a balanced, approachable style that showcases the quality of fruit from Washington State.

# Vineyard Source:

All of the Lone Birch Wines are sourced from fruit from our 830 acre estate vineyard located in the Yakima Valley. Our vineyard site offers a long 190 day growing season, which allows for slow, steady fruit maturation. The warm days and the cool nights provided by the high desert environment allow the vines to produce exceptional balance with ripe fruit flavors and plenty of natural acidity.

### Vintage:

The 2019 vintage was characteristic of Washington State with a mild winter and very hot summer. Temperatures in March and April were slightly above average, leading to bud break mid-April. A warm spring provided perfect growing conditions for the vines. Our meticulous viticultural practices allowed us to manage vigorous growth throughout the season so the plants reached optimal crop yield goals for each block. The hot summer allowed grapes to reach full maturity and ripeness levels far exceeding anything we saw in 2018 or 2017. White grape varietals received significant sun exposure creating bountiful aromatics with balanced acidity. The red grape varietals made wines that are luxurious with dark fruit aromas and silky tannins. The 2019 vintage will be one to enjoy for many years to come.

## Winemaking:

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### **Tasting Notes:**

Strawberry, guava, peach, and hints of kiwi aromatics create an impression of sweetness on the nose that finishes dry. Fresh flavors of watermelon and raspberry leave the palate refreshed with crisp acidity. Our purpose-driven winemaking techniques create a Rosé that is fruitful and aromatic with a clean, refreshing finish.

Varietal Composition: 100% Syrah,

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# **Enological Data**

Alcohol 12.8% pH 3.35 Total Acidity 6.3 g/L Residual Sugar 0.8% Production 1,401 cases

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