

LONGBOARD Vineyards 2020 WATERGIRL ROSÉ

There is a special place in my memory reserved for dry rosé wines, a place filled with sunsets on the sand dunes overlooking the surf rolling in at Hossegor (Western France). A place where chilly breezes bring in salty air mixed with whiffs of lavender and freshpicked berries. A place radiating with a carefree love of life and the little pleasures it brings us when we take a pause.

The Longboard WATERGIRL ROSÉ is a perfect wine to reflect on the challenge that was the 2020 vintage in Northern California, a vintage that brought us great quality in the face of adversity. Here, I used a combination of whole-cluster press and bleed lots from Grenache, Carignan, Syrah and a tiny bit of Pinot Noir to craft a classy wine, helping you celebrate the coming of spring and summer.

The wine was fermented in a combination of stainless steel tanks and neutral (old) French oak barrels and finished bone-dry. I aim to layer slight earthy notes over the strawberry, pear and melon fruit characters and make this a great wine to enhance your next culinary and social gathering.

The label and name of this cuveé are a salute to the amazing women who take to the water and teach us old-fart male surfers a new thing or two!

Cheers,

Oded Shakked Old fart / Surfer **Appellation:** North Coast (56% Mendocino 44% Sonoma)

Varietal Composition: 56% Grenache, 37 % Syrah, 4% Pinot Noir 3% Carignan

Analysis:

Alc. 13.5 % - TA 6.5 g/L - pH 3.32 - RS < 0.1%