



2019 Queen of the Sierra
Estate Rosé
Rorick Heritage Vineyard, Calaveras County

The 2019 Queen of the Sierra rosé was grown on the Rorick estate vineyard in Calaveras County at 2000' elevation, featuring soils comprised of a layer of schist over dolomite-rich limestone. Composed primarily of Zinfandel, Grenache noir, and Tempranillo, the wine shows all of the aromatic complexity and textural presence that are the hallmarks of wines grown on the limestone of our estate. It presents a wonderful dynamic tension between an entry that displays a hint of roundness and the bright, electric acidity that makes up this wine's backbone.

The fruit was hand-picked and whole-cluster pressed into stainless steel; fermentation was allowed to begin spontaneously with native yeast. The wine was racked off of lees in December following primary ferment, and bottled unfiltered in February 2020. As with all Forlorn Hope wines, no new oak is utilized, and nothing was added to the must or wine (no cultured yeast, ML bacteria, water, tartaric acid, enzymes, nutrients, etc) with the exception of minimal effective SO₂.