

THE SOURCE

Producer	Thierry Richoux		
Wine	2017 Bourgogne Rosé		
Region and Country	Burgundy, France		
Varietal(s)	Pinot Noir		
Terroir	Irancy is tucked in at the bottom of a very small amphitheater about 20 minutes west from the center of Chablis. It shares the same basic geology as Chablis: Portlandian limestone on the upper sections and Kimmerigean limestone inside of the sloped areas. Irancy has found its special climate for Pinot Noir because of its horseshoe shape that faces south, west and north. The Pinot Noir from the north face is the most common location for the rosé wines due to its inability to fully ripen each year for still red wine production.		
Soil	Kimmeridian limestone marls, Portlandian limestone and clay		
Irrigation	Forbidden—Never—Sometimes	Technical Precision	Nature—Moderate—Nurture
Vine Age	40 years old average (2019) many parcels	Altitude(m); Aspect	180-240; N/NW/W/S
Vinification	The grapes are harvested by hand in small bins. The grapes are normally whole cluster pressed (sometimes there is a saignée made). SO2 is added only at bottling (starting in 2018 vintage). The wine is fined and lightly filtered.		
Aging	Inox for 8 months, depending on the vintage.		
Farming	Drink Young—Short-Term Benefits—Long-Term Benefits—Unknown		
Enological Additions	Sulfur Dioxide. Isinglass (a natural fining agent originating from swim bladder of a fish) is used to clarify the wine—it is commonly used in beer as well.		

Observations (subjective and abstract; based on young wines)

General Impressions	Sweet Pink Flower, Mineral, Metal, Gentle, Acidic Backbone, Cherry and Strawberry Skin		
Ageability	Drink Young—Short-Term Benefits—Long-Term Benefits—Unknown		
Intensity	Subtle—Vigorous—Electric	Body	Light—Medium—Full
Core	Lithe—Medium—Dense	Tannin	Light—Medium—Full
Acidity	Light—Medium—Full—Electric	Wood Presence	Light—Medium—Full—Electric
Texture	Lithe—Medium—Dense	Finish	Front—Middle—Back
Mineral Impressions	Lightly Salty—Salty—Metal—Mineral—Wet Stone—Flint—Graphite—Reductive—Petrol		

Lab Analysis (general range)

Alcohol %	12-12.8	Titrateable Acidity (g/L)	4.2-4.5
pH	3.2-3.3	Residual Sugar (g/L)	Dry
Total SO2	None Added—Very Low—Low—Medium—High		

Notes compiled in 2019 by Ted Vance (The Source) and Thierry Richoux
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