



# MURDOCH HILL

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## Murdoch Hill 2021 Rosé

**Winemaker:** Michael Downer

**Grape(s):** 50% Sangiovese, 25% Merlot, 25% white grapes (sauvignon blanc, riesling, chardonnay)

**GI:** Adelaide Hills (Mount Lofty Ranges, South Australia)

**Site(s):** Estate vineyard and a single vineyard at Forreston

**Vintage notes:** The 2021 vintage has been celebrated after a more difficult 2020 in the Hills. Some early season rain set up the vintage for even flowering. Temperatures never spiked, allowing for a slow, even, long growing season that is being recognized as one of the best in recent memory for quantity and quality.

**Vineyard notes:** The Murdoch Hill vineyard is situated in the cool climate Adelaide Hills, near the township of Oakbank, in an undulating valley 420m in elevation. The soil structure in this area is predominately sandy loam over medium clay sub-soils, with varying levels of ironstone, quartz and schist rock. The vines are cane pruned with vertical shoot positioning (VSP), shoot thinning, canopy trimming and bunch thinning when required. The Sangiovese comes from Forreston, at 360m above sea level.

**Winemaking:** Sangiovese and Merlot grown and hand-picked specifically for rosé – direct maceration for a few hours. Cross-flow filtration and stabilized with Bentonite.

**Closure:** Stelvin

**ABV:** 12.5%

**Winery tasting notes:** This is a dry rosé is packed with flavour, perfect for summer drinking. A crisp refreshing wine with depth, loads of mouth-watering rose water, touch of spice and texture that lingers to a dry finish.

**Scores:** 91 (Suckling), 91 (The Wine Front), 91 (James Halliday)