

THE FIRST SPARKLING WINERY IN CARNEROS

2015 Caricia

Affectionately named after the Spanish word for "caress", our Caricia is the embodiment of our innovative spirit, always exploring new, intriguing expressions of our estate-grown sparkling wine. Intentionally made with zero dosage, this wine is exceptionally bone dry with a shimmering acidity that naturally piques the senses.

COMPOSITION:68% Pinot Noir 32% Chardonnay AGING: 4 years on the yeast APPELLATION: Carneros ALCOHOL: 12.5% TA: 0.76 g/mL PH: 3.14 RESIDUAL SUGAR: .4 g/L



TASTING NOTES:

A wine made for voracious discovery, our 2015 Caricia offers aromas of melon, black cherry and just the slightest hint of sassafras. Effortless acidity adds welcoming structure to a round, long finish that echos with notes of white fig, citrus and almond. This is the wine that will excite even the most seasoned sparkling wine enthusiast.

VINTAGE NOTES:

The 2015 vintage will be remembered as one of the coolest growing seasons on record in Northern California. This cool weather during bloom caused the vines to set a light crop and continuing through the growing season slowed the ripening of the grapes. The combination of a light crop and extra hang time on the vines produced fruit of excellent concentration and character.

WINEMAKING PROCESS:

Grapes are handpicked & transported to the winery in small bins where they are gently whole-cluster pressed to retain the delicate vibrancy and freshness. This wine is fermented in stainless steel tanks at 55-60°F to retain vibrancy and freshness.

FOOD PAIRINGS:

Thanks to the bone-dry nature of this wine, it can be paired effortlessly with foods with ample fat like brie, blue cheese, puff pastry or hollandaise. We recommend it with dishes like a blue cheese and spinach tart, eggs benedict or a warm duck confit salad on a croissant.