



ROSEMONT

OF VIRGINIA

1858 CLUB

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HELLO MEMBERS!

Happy New Year Club Members! As we gear up for Spring and Summer we're excited to offer new and exciting events here at the Winery. With the return of flights to new food trucks, there's always something going on here at the Winery. Be sure to stop in and see what's going on, but we'll also keep you updated via emails, Facebook, and Instagram, so be sure to follow us there! I've included the links on how to do that below.

Did I mention that we also have a Rosemont Club Member Facebook Page? [Click Here](#) to request access now!

This quarter you'll be receiving our Virginia White, our Rosé, and the newest release of Kilravock! We just debuted this wine at our Kilravock Release Party on January 27th, and the



response was incredible! We know it's been a while since Kilravock was available, so be sure to stop in and try/buy this while you can! Justin claims this is one of our best vintages yet, even though he was only able to make 300+ cases, but we couldn't agree more!

We look forward to seeing you all this year!

Cheers!

Kyndal Eggleston

Wine Club Coordinator



FEATURED WINES

2021 Kilravock

2022 Rosé

Virginia White



UPCOMING EVENTS

Wine & Chocolate Pairings

The Entire Month of February!

Kilravock Blending Party

March 22nd & 23rd

Winery Closed for Easter

March 31st



2021 KILRAVOCK

In our good and great vintages only, we make this wine to represent the best that we have to offer, and it's been fun to see this wine evolve over the past 15 or 16 years! This 2021 vintage is heavier on the Petit Verdot than past vintages, thanks to the two extra acres that we planted in 2016. What's also unusual about this blend is that we then only have Merlot and Cabernet Franc included with the Petit Verdot. In 2021 we once again had late Spring frosts, which took out about 40% of our red fruit in the vineyard. The fruit that remained was fantastic (quantity v. quality) but unfortunately, it just wasn't plentiful if we wanted to make our other varietal wines.

As our quantity decreased, that meant that we were left with quite a few new barrels to use across our different lots of wine. The Petit Verdot is characterized by strong tannins and fruit profile, so we felt that this would be the varietal to receive the bulk of the new oak. Thus, this 2021 vintage contains wine that has aged in about 50% new French Oak. In comparison, our other wines typically see only about 10 - 15% new oak each year.

TASTING NOTES:

A bold, strong wine bursting with aromas of cedar box, bright cherry, graphite, and violets. This wine is a well-balanced representation of the best of our vineyard, with fruit tannins integrating beautifully with French oak tannins. A young wine, this will be one to hold onto for at least 7 or more years.

Greetings from the cellar! At this moment, I'm currently working on putting together our 2023 white wines for bottling, which will take place February 12th & 13th. It's always an exciting, but stressful time of the year as we work to make the best blends possible from the wines that we made just a few months ago.

For this quarter's shipment, I'm excited to include our latest vintage of Kilravock, our signature red blend. We skipped making this wine in 2020 with the lack of fruit I thought was good enough to make this special blend, so I know many of you have been waiting a while for this wine! I believe this 2021 vintage is worth the wait, as 2021 was certainly one of our better years for this particular wine. I recommend holding this wine for a few years, or at least decanting it for a few hours prior to drinking, as the air really helps it to open up to its full potential.

Cheers to a new year of wine, and maybe a few surprises along the way for 2024!

Cheers! Justin

-Justin Rose, Winemaker

APPELLATION:	Rosemont Vineyards
BLEND:	63% Petit Verdot, 25% Merlot, 12% Cabernet Franc
ALCOHOL:	14%
CASES PRODUCED:	385
BOTTLE DATE:	May 8, 2023

2022 ROSÉ

Just in time for the holidays, we are happy to include the 9th Edition of our Virginia Red in this quarter's selection. It is always a crowd-pleaser, pairs with just about anything, and is affordable enough that you don't mind sharing it with all of your family and friends!

This edition seems to take itself a little more seriously, which is due to the blend being almost 50% Cabernet Franc. We've blended the Franc with some Merlot and Chambourcin as well but finished it with a dash of Tannat to just give it that little extra hint of structure on the mid-palate. We still only used neutral barrels for this blend, so the tannins are nicely integrated and smooth, making this an approachable red wine, even for those who typically don't drink reds.

As one of our most widely produced wines, we spend a lot of time blending different vintages and varieties to make the best blend possible. This edition is actually made from 2020 Cabernet Franc and Merlot, and then Chambourcin and Tannat from 2021 - enjoy!

TASTING NOTES:

The 2022 vintage of our Rosé is quite possibly one of our favorites yet! With aromas of watermelon rind, strawberry sherbet, and raspberries, this wine is mouth wateringly delicious. A light, crisp, and dry wine, we love it for daily sipping, but it stuns with Virginia ham, or fresh strawberries - perhaps covered with chocolate for Valentine's Day!

APPELLATION:	Rosemont Vineyards
BLEND:	100% Chambourcin
ALCOHOL:	12.3%
CASES PRODUCED:	622
BOTTLE DATE:	February 7, 2023

VIRGINIA WHITE

Virginia White is one of our most highly distributed wines, and while that probably has a lot to do with the price point, it also has a lot to do with highlighting a blend that is made from two of the hybrid varieties that we grow on the estate - Vidal Blanc and Chardonnay.

For some years now, we've been blending Vidal and Chardonnay to make an easy-to-drink, everyday white wine that we feel will pair with a wide variety of dishes. The type of wine that you can open on a Tuesday after work and not feel guilty because you didn't think ahead about what dinner was going to be!

The Vidal Blanc is all stainless steel fermented and brings tropical flavors like pineapple and lychee to the blend, along with crisp acidity. The Chardonnay, which is our most widely planted white variety, is fermented in neutral oak barrels, developing into a wine with a medium body that highlights stone fruit flavors, such as nectarines. The balance between the two blended produced a wine that is balanced in both body and acid across the palate, but also full of delicious, fruity flavors!

TASTING NOTES:

Make this your "go-to" wine for everyday enjoyment! Our Virginia White combines stainless steel and barrel-fermented wines to make a smooth, dry white wine that boasts aromas of nectarines, tropical fruits, and a hint of toast. Perfect with a roasted chicken or with a delicate piece of fish - it's a versatile wine for any occasion!

APPELLATION:	Rosemont Vineyards
BLEND:	57% Chardonnay, 43% Vidal Blanc
ALCOHOL:	11.7%
CASES PRODUCED:	501
BOTTLE DATE:	February 6, 2023

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

2024 SUMMER CONCERT SERIES

We're excited to announce the line up for our 2024 Summer Concert Series. Be sure to mark your calendars because these are events you're not going to want to miss!

May 25th - Memorial Day w/ Klaxton Brown

Help us kick off the Summer and welcome Klaxton Brown back to the Rosemont Stage!

July 5th - Independence Day w/ The Feature Attraction Band

Our biggest event of the year with fireworks over the Vineyard! We will once again "sell" tent spaces to this event with all proceeds going to **You're Not Alone Day.**

August 31st - Labor Day w/ The Robbie McMillan Band

The official "Good-bye!" to Summer and the Robbie McMillan Band's first time on the Rosemont Stage!



EXPERIENCE EUROPEAN CHRISTMAS MARKETS WITH ROSEMONT 2025

Discover grand cities, medieval towns, and quaint villages along the "Blue Danube," highlighting three countries: Hungary, Austria, and Germany. Stroll among the stalls at Budapest's Christmas market and immerse yourself in the atmosphere of Vienna as you shop for handmade decorations. Visit the fairytale village of Regensburg, one of Europe's best-preserved cities, and delight in the city's joyful festivities.

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