

1858 CLUB

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Happy Fall Everyone!

The weather is starting to cool down and we are enjoying the beautiful colors the Vineyard has to offer this time of year!

This quarter we are featuring three wines that are perfect for the Holidays! Our Virginia White is a great "table wine" that pairs nicely with almost everything. The 2023 Rosé is fun and bright and is a lovely pairing for white or red meat. The long-awaited 1858 is back with a "glow-up" as part of our new Teachlach Series!



We have two more Winemaker Wednesdays this year, a few more Wine + Dines, and some other events up our sleeves so be sure to stop in and see us!

Cheers!

Kyndal Eggleston

Wine Club Coordinator



FEATURED WINES

2023 V. 1858

2023 Rosé

Virginia White



UPCOMING EVENTS

Winemaker Wednesdays

November 20th - Q3 Wine Club Wines

<u>December 11th - Sparkling Wines</u>

Holiday Hours

November 28th - Winery Closed December 24th - Winery Closing at 2:00 PM December 25th - Winery Closed January 1st - Winery Closed

> Kilravock Release Party January 25th | 6:00 PM



Greetings from the cellar! Now that harvest is officially over, we can say that 2024 was yet another great vintage. We've been fortunate to have such great back-to-back vintages, and we know you'll love everything that comes out over the next few years. This year's crop was much lighter, but the quality was fantastic, so I'm looking forward to getting all of the reds put into barrel over the next few weeks and watching them age.

In September we released our new **Teaghlach Series** - which means "family" in Scottish Gaelic. We are just about out of the Chardonel as I write this, but the Graciano, Petit Verdot, and now 1858 are all available. I hope that if you have time over this holiday season you'll stop in and try the new wines and let us know what you think!

Aubrey and I have been out and about this year promoting our wines and Virginia wines in general, and it's been amazing to see everyone jump onto the Virginia wine bandwagon. We hope you all have a wonderful holiday season spent with friends and family. And if your plans bring you to Lake Gaston, please stop in to say hello and share a glass of wine with us!



Cheers! Justin

-Justin Rose, Winemaker

2023 V. 1858

We hope you weren't confused when you saw this pretty new bottle in your shipment! We are happy to unveil the new, updated look of our 1858, our Wine Club Exclusive red blend! This wine has always had its own vibe, but we were thrilled to include it in the new labeling for our Teaghlach Series! And not just include it, it is the cornerstone for the entire series concept, which is very exciting!

This wine has evolved over the years, but it was always something that was smaller batched, something that Justin wanted to try in the cellar. But over the years, it's turned into more of his take on a "new world" style blend. That means that we want to produce something more fruit-forward, with deeper, richer notes, with less focus on a sharp acidic profile.

Having multiple lots of red wine means that we can handpick those lots that help us get that desired outcome. What we love about the new label is that you can see now which clones we used to achieve this particular blend, which is both nerdy and exciting! 2022 was an amazing vintage across the board, and we think you'll find that this is a wine that you can hold onto for years to come.

TASTING NOTES:

The 2022 vintage of 1858 is rich and fruit-forward with hints of black raspberry preserves, molasses, cinnamon, and violet, with earthy undertones. It has a full, rich body that will age gracefully over the next 10 years.

APPELLATION: Rosemont Vineyards

BLEND: 40% Petit Verdot, 35% Merlot,

25% Tannat

ALCOHOL: 13.6%

CASES PRODUCED: 365

BOTTLE DATE: May 6, 2024

2023 Rosé

As we have traveled the state, region, and globe this year promoting Rosemont and other Virginia wines, the one thing that we have come to realize is that our Rosé is an absolute staple and icon for Rosemont of Virginia wines. It draws so much attention for its bright color and people are always so amazed when they tell them it's made from 100% Chambourcin grapes.

Since Chambourcin is one of the few grapes in the world with pigmented flesh, we can produce a wine with a beautiful, rich color, without any extraction from the skins. This helps us to keep the wine light and fresh, and people are so surprised when they taste it and enjoy it so much. We've heard from many people that this was how Chambourcin was meant to be enjoyed, and we couldn't agree more!

We are thrilled to include this wine just in time for all of your holiday gatherings. It is so versatile and will go with ham, turkey, breakfast, you name it! We hope you will enjoy it with your friends and family as the season continues!

TASTING NOTES:

Rosé is not just a Springtime wine around here, we enjoy it a lot during the holiday season. Its flavors of summer strawberries, ripe watermelon, and raspberry preserves, mixed with a smooth medium body and dry finish, make it a perfect wine to pair with just about anything, but we love it with salty Virginia ham!

APPELLATION: Rosemont Vineyards

BLEND: 100% Chambourcin

ALCOHOL: 12.6%

CASES PRODUCED: 514

BOTTLE DATE: February 12, 2024

VIRGINIA WHITE

Finding a white wine, or even just any wine in general, that appeals to the majority of guests is one of the hardest tasks when planning any event. Our goal when blending our Virginia White and Virginia Red wines is to do just that though. Make a well-balanced wine that isn't too acidic, too oaky, or too overly tannic. A wine that could go with a vast variety of foods, or even be enjoyed on its own.

But this wine is also a great representation of what our vineyard produces year after year, as it is essentially a field blend of most of our white varietals. Over the years is gone from primarily Vidal Blanc based, and we've seen more and more Chardonel make the blend, as we continue to increase our Chardonel production. The interesting part of this new vintage is that we actually incorporated some Traminette into the blend. Traminette historically does not play well with the other grapes (hence why our Traminette is always just 100% Traminette). But from our 2023 fruit, we were able to blend just a bit in to really make this a true blend of all of the white grapes that we grow on our estate!

TASTING NOTES:

This bright, fresh white wine is the perfect wine to pair with a variety of cuisines or to just enjoy on a Tuesday after work. It has a medium to light body with tropical aromas of pineapple, lychee, and green apples.

APPELLATION: Rosemont Vineyards

BLEND: 67% Chardonel, 30% Vidal

Blanc, 3% Traminette

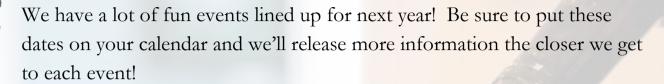
ALCOHOL: 13%

CASES PRODUCED: 294

BOTTLE DATE: February 13, 2024

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!





Kilravock Release Party

Saturday, January 25th

Enjoy an evening with the Rose family as we celebrate the release of our latest vintage of Kilravock! Dress in your finest Highland garb and be the first to taste the 2022 vintage.

Kilravock Blending Party

Friday & Saturday, March 21st & 22nd

Try your hand at re-creating Justin's 2023 blend of Kilravock. You'll learn the art of blending, and then join in on a friendly competition to see whose blend can come the closest!

Summer Concert Series

Saturday, May 24th - Memorial Day Concert Sunday, July 6th - Independence Day Concert Saturday, August 30th - Labor Day Concert

15th Annual Wine & Art Festival

Saturday, June 14th

Experience over 30 local artists and crafters, live music, and food trucks throughout the day!

16th Annual Harvest Festival

Saturday, October 18th

Celebrate the end of our harvest season with live music, food trucks, pumpkin painting, and a grape stomp competition!

