

# The Real Review

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MAY 12, 2025 By **STEPHEN WONG MW** In **CELLAR TALK**

### Te Whare Ra Single Vineyard 5182 Rosé 2023

Marlborough

For our Rosé Wine of the Year, the effortless complexity of this dry, age-worthy organic pinot noir rosé—with a streak of syrah—from Anna and Jason Flowerday was the perfect choice. Sure, there are unusual and rarer varieties out there and more attention-grabbing (and expensive) rosés which are delicious, but there is something to be said for getting a classic style exactly right. And that's what this wine does remarkably, elevating it above its peers.

Light coral. A hint of flint adds complexity to the delicately layered perfume of cut flowers, dried herb and wild berry. The dry palate is light and elegant with a nicely saline, oily texture which is given lift by the fresh acidity. Fine, bony phenolics provide a scaffold for the delicately spicy flavours of grapefruit, apricot and vine tomato to coat the long, restrained finish. This understated, sophisticated rosé has developed some creaminess at the end and is drinking beautifully now. Superb. (Screwcap)

**95/100 ★★★★★**

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2023 Rosés from Marlborough

Price: NZD \$32

Alcohol: 13.5%

Ageing: now to 2027

Food: grilled crayfish tails with a light herb butter, tomatoes and crusty baguette

Stockists: Te Whare Ra Wines; Fine Wine Delivery Co., Wine Collective Direct online, Super Liquor stores (NZ)

