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The Top 20 Rosés of the 2012 Vintage

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91	Balletto 2012 Estate Rosé of Pinot Noir Russian River Valley
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91	Rebuli NV Vino Spumante Rosé Extra Dry Saccol di Valdobbiadene
91	Syncline Wine Cellars 2012 Rosé Columbia Valley
90+	Clos Pepe NV Brut Rosé Santa Rita Hills
90+	Domaine de Malavieille 2012 Charmille Rosé IGP Pays d'Oc
90+	Feudi di San Gregorio 2011 Ros'Aura Aglianico Irpinia Rosato
90+	Presqu'île 2011 Pinot Noir Rosé Santa Maria Valley
90	Chateau Grande Cassagne 2012 Rosé Costières de Nimes
90	Chateau Margüi 2012 Perle de Margüi Rosé Coteaux Varois en Provence
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90	Quartz Reef NV Rosé Central Otago
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90	Wölffer 2012 Wölffer Estate Vineyard Rosé Long Island, New York

Tablas Creek Vineyard 2012 Dianthus Paso Robles (\$27) 92

Medium pink. Shows faint red pomegranate aromas and flavors. What makes this wine so good is its pure, fresh and mineral like character combined with good concentration and excellent balance. Certified organic, estate grown 60% Mourvèdre, 25% Grenache, 15% Counoise co-fermented.

Tablas Creek Vineyard 2012 Patelin de Tablas Rosé Paso Robles (\$20) 88

Very pale copper pink. This is a pleasant rosé revealing white, stony aromas. It's dry and crisp on the palate with light cherry and herbal flavors. It has a nice chalky texture. About 75% direct pressed Grenache combined with saignée lots of 20% Mourvèdre and 5% Counoise.