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PRECIOUS TWIN ROSÉ 2023 VINTAGE

2023 was an extraordinary vintage. Sourced from the warmer appellation of Calistoga and the cooler appellation of Coombsville, believe it or not, the fruit for this Rosé was picked in October, and the wine naturally finished at 12.9% alcohol! The winemaking method used here is direct pressing. Given the later harvest dates, the fruit in 2023 had time to develop flavor and color when compared to our 2020 Rosé. We did not begin harvest with the intention to make this wine. Mother Nature created an opportunity; we took it.

Blend: Napa Valley AVA, 90% Merlot, 10% Charbono.

Wine Profile: Raspberry, watermelon, strawberries. Full of flavor, almost like a Jolly Rancher, but not in an artificial way. Very precise, mouth-filling, and makes you salivate. Benoit says, “The finish is glorious.”

THE STORY BEHIND PRECIOUS TWIN

The feathered serpent on the label is sometimes known as Precious Twin. It is also our reference to the previous bottling of this Rosé from 2020, named La Fe. When we made La Fe, it was an instinctive response to the unprecedented nature of the 2020 vintage. We didn’t intend to make rosé again, but Mother spoke, and we listened.

Realm commissioned artist Sylvia Ji to create the art for this label, which draws on Aztec mythology for inspiration. Ji chose to feature a feathered serpent, a deity often associated with rebirth, in a bright color palette to reflect the wine. Ji is also the artist behind the label for Realm’s Fidelio Sauvignon Blanc.

