

PIKES

CLARE VALLEY

Established 1984

2025 'LUCCIO' ROSÉ

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

The Clare Valley endured one of its most challenging vintages, with the second driest year on record. A wet July was followed by a dry, warm spring and summer. On 17 September, frost hit our Polish Hill vineyard just after budburst. Fortunately, the early timing of the frost allowed our vines to respond with healthy shoot growth and a smaller canopy. Lower yields and careful irrigation led to full ripeness. Fruit showed excellent concentration, with red varieties displaying deep colour and intensity.

WINEMAKING INFORMATION

Sangiovese was our first 'alternative' variety planted on the estate and is extremely well suited to Rosé with naturally high acid and bright red fruits. Pressed off skins immediately to keep colour light, fermented in stainless steel.

Fruit Source: Estate & Growers

Variety: Sangiovese, Montepulciano, & Nero D'avola

Vintage: 2025

Region: Clare Valley

Alc/Vol 11.5% **RS** 1.8 g/L

pH 2.98 **TA** 8.1 g/L

TASTING NOTES

Appearance: Brilliant clarity, showing a rosewater blush.

Aroma: New-season cherries at first, along with some refreshing watermelon and tart cranberry characters, with an inviting musk lolly note chiming in late.

Palate: Fleshy watermelon and vibrant red fruits lead into notes of pomegranate juice and dried cranberries. A refreshing green apple acidity drives the palate, offering impressive length before finishing with a subtle hint of dried thyme-like herbs. Deliciously generous and moreish.

Summary: Fresh, bright, dry, and versatile. Perfect for sunny days, or for pretending it's spring when the sun's not playing along. A satisfying drink on its own, but also pairs effortlessly with a wide range of dishes. A classic Waldorf salad, heavy on the red grapes, would be a standout match.

ABOUT PIKES

Pikes Wines is a family-founded winery, established in 1984 when the Pike family began crafting wine together in Polish Hill River. Our unique site features tough acidic soils over ancient Kadlunga Slate, 650 million years old. Our wines are elegant and approachable, shaped by the land, years of viticultural experience, and a hands-off winemaking style.

Pikes Tasting Room

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Tasting Room: open daily, from 10am - 4pm

Slate Restaurant: Lunch from 12pm Thu - Sun & Dinner from 6pm Sat

