Joel Delaunay 2023 Rosè 'Le Grand Ballon Selection'

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Notes from the Producer:

Brillant, salmon pink hue. Spicy nose of red currants, strawberries and raspberries. Well balanced, lively yet supple and creamy on the palate.



WineWise Notes:

Pale but definite pink wine artfully blended from Gamay, Cabernet Franc and Côt to a delightfully sprightly effect. It sports that inimitable Loire tension between fruit, acidity and earth components. Unusually characterful in this vintage.

Winewise Notes on Producer:

Thierry Delaunay has firmly established the estate he runs with his father in the forefront of this sprawling appellation. The village of Pouillé where he resides is home to several of the top Touraine growers and would seem to be exceptionally privileged, perhaps by dint of its relative elevation. His Sauvignon has developed a devoted following over the last few years for very good reason. What is truly impressive about Thierry is that he has greatly increased the size of his estate and production, but the average quality level of the wines has only gone up. He makes less red now than before, but what he makes is exemplary.

