



Foxy Lady – a Syrah Rosé

Coney Wines is one of only a handful of Martinborough wineries bold and optimistic enough to plant the late-ripening Syrah. We do our bit in the vineyard by deftly removing most of the fruit in late December to guarantee a tiny crop for the canopy to ripen.

In 2019 we got done over for the 1st time by a crafty frost which fried all our Pinot Noir and Riesling. It also affected the Syrah. By early April, with a brix level of only 21, it was clear from the fruit that evasive action was needed.

Hence our 2nd Foxy Lady rosé in 17 years. A happy decision given the constant clamour for Foxy at the restaurant/cellar door. Like many French rosés Foxy Lady is ‘serious’ and dry while still encouraging frivolity. It is floral and contains the spicy notes of Syrah, enhancing the restaurant tapas menu.

Despite a feminine hue it is popular with blokes because with such a name they think they’re in with a chance. Good luck with that.