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## 15 great value rosé choices

A selection of affordable rosé picks to enjoy in the sunshine from our experts.

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While the French region of Provence might be the go-to area for rosé wine, good quality bottles ranging from pale blush to eye-catching pink can be found all over France and further afield across the world.

Countries including Italy, Spain, Portugal, South Africa, England and even Turkey are producing fine examples of rosé wines with many available at affordable prices.

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## Scroll down for 15 value rosé tasting notes and scores

From supermarkets and high street retailers to independent merchants, the following list of 15 wines can all be found for under £15 with a third below £10 – perfect if you're looking for something to enjoy during the ongoing hot weather as well as to stock up ahead of the summer.

Compiled by the Decanter editorial team, the recommendations include all tastes and styles ranging from Waterkloof's Circumstance, Cape Coral Mourvèdre Rosé from Stellenbosch with 'aromas of peppered strawberries, tangy redcurrants and crushed wild herbs' to Chakana's Nuna Vineyard Rosé from Luján de Cuyo and its 'delicate red berry fruit, crisp acidity and a juicy pink grapefruit finish.'

### Is pale rosé better? Our experts give their advice

Several French picks make the list including two from the Languedoc; Domaine Coudougnou from Lidl and Pierre Jaurant from Aldi, alongside the retailers Specially Selected Costières de Nîmes Rosé – a 'good-value choice for those who favour a bone-dry, restrained style of rosé'.

The list also includes a newly-released English still rosé from Hattingley Valley made using Pinot Noir Précoce from Kent and Berkshire vineyards in the Saignée method, a Spanish 'crowd pleasing' Rioja Rosada and Mirabeau's Prêt à Porter can perfect for alfresco drinking with 'a lovely red berry fruit flavour, ripe cherries, raspberries and wild strawberries, alongside hints of grapefruit and apricot'.

### 15 great value rosé wines:



#### Corney & Barrow, Rosé, IGP Comté Tolosan, 2018

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Delicate strawberry raspberry nose, bramble fruits on the palate, lovely fresh acidity, with depth of dark berries. Lovely burst of fruit, makes your mouth water with texture and depth. Leaves a ripe strawberry flavor in the mouth. Very drinkable! Definite crowd pleaser - stock up for a summer party and...

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#### Domaine Lafage, Miraflores Rosé, Côtes du Roussillon, 2019

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It's always nice to find a delicious, light, juicy rosé outside of Provence. Sourced from Grenache Gris and Noir vines some nearing 80-years-old, together with a portion of younger Mourvèdre, this is made from early-picked grapes to ensure a fresher style and pressed without crushing for an incredibly pale hue....

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#### Domaine la Croix Belle, Le Champ des Grillons, Côtes de Thongue, 2019

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Beautiful blush, very pale pink colour. Lovely fresh appeal, a real crowd pleaser in that it's easy drinking and would be wonderful ice cold on a warm summer's day but it's got a nice depth of strawberry fruits that lingers on the tongue. Very balanced, dry with subtle acidity that...

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### Waterkloof, Circumstance, Cape Coral Mourvèdre Rosé, Stellenbosch, South Africa 2019

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A beautifully pale salmon hue and complex aromas of peppered strawberries, tangy redcurrants and crushed wild herbs. These follow on the elegant, fine-textured palate, enlivened by crisp acidity and appealing notes of wet slate. Excellent value, made by Nadia Barnard-Langenegger who celebrates her 10th anniversary at Waterkloof with...

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### Domaine de Triennes, Rosé, Méditerranée IGP, 2018

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Domaine de Triennes is a partnership between two great names in Burgundy: Jacques Seyss of Domaine Dujac and Aubert de Villaine of Domaine de la Romanée Conti. So the quality is unsurprising. Cinsault-dominated, this offers the perfect balance between fresh red berry fruit and citrus, crisp acidity and elegance. Vibrant...

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### Chakana, Nuna Vineyard Rosé, Luján de Cuyo, Agrelo, 2019

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This appealing biodynamic rosé is a blend of 67% Syrah, 23% Malbec and 10% Tannat. Salmon-pink with strawberry and raspberry aromas leading to a bone-dry palate with delicate red berry fruit, crisp acidity and a juicy pink grapefruit finish. Suitable for vegans and vegetarians – try it with sweet roasted...

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### Mirabeau, Forever Summer, Méditerranée IGP, 2019

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This is aptly named, tasting like a summer dessert, full of succulent strawberries and delicate cream flavours. It's refreshing and highly drinkable with hints of citrus on the palate and a subtle spicy edge on the finish. Forever Summer is the first lower alcohol wine in Mirabeau's range, having had...

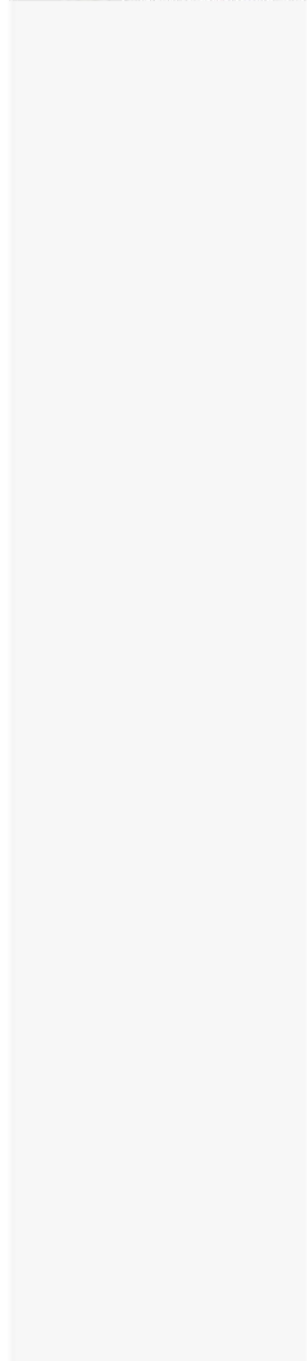
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### Pierre Jaurant, Languedoc Rosé, Languedoc-Roussillon, 2019

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Wine was established in 1989. This blend of Grenache, Syrah and Cinsault is





rare rose pink in colour, this blend of mainly Grenache and Cinsault is dry, with juicy, wild strawberry and floral aromas. Sit in the garden on a sunny evening, open this with a tuna niçoise salad, and pretend you're in the South of France...

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### Madeira Wine Company, Atlantis Rosé, Madeira, Portugal, 2019

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Better known as the owners of famous Madeira brands such as Blandy's, the Madeira Wine Company also makes a range of table wines. The Portuguese island's volcanic soils give the Tinta Negra grapes used to make his rosé fabulous freshness and acidity. Salmon-pink, with delicate lemon citrus and strawberry aromas....

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### Cune, Rioja Rosada, Rioja, Rioja, Spain, 2018

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This blend of Viura and Tempranillo is a real crowd-pleaser for summer parties. Appealing strawberry and citrus aromas lead to a fresh and fruity palate with really zingy acidity. Lots of strawberry fruit on the palate, with crisp grapefruit on the finish.

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### Hattingley Valley, STILL Rosé, England, United Kingdom, 2019

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Made using Pinot Noir Précoce from Kent and Berkshire vineyards, this newly released English rosé by Hattingley Valley is made using Saignée method. Fresh strawberry and stone fruits jump right out from the glass, white blossom on the nose with a hint of flint. Ripe and juicy with berry and...

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### Kayra, Beyaz Kalecik Karasi Blanc de Noir, Denizli, 2018

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A simple, refreshing rosé from the indigenous variety Kalecik Karasi. Lightly salmon in colour with stewed ripe raspberry fruits dusted with pepper and herbal notes. Decent acidity on the palate with juicy lime, apple and strawberry fruits, followed by a clean finish. SW

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Mirabeau, Atelier Mirabeau, Méditerranée IGP



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An innovative product from the Mirabeau team: its Prêt à Porter can. This has a lovely red berry fruit flavour, ripe cherries, raspberries and wild strawberries, alongside hints of grapefruit and apricot. Refreshing and tasty, it makes a great alfresco option for picnics, beach trips or sipping by the pool...

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### Aldi, Specially Selected Costières de Nîmes Rosé, 2019

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Coral in colour, this has lifted citrus and white fruit notes on the nose, fresh and dry. There's enough body here to make it a good match for dishes with a little spice.

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### Domaine Coudougnou, Rosé, Languedoc-Roussillon, France, 2018

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The Languedoc (here, the sub-region of Faugères) is a better value hunting ground for rosé than nearby Provence. I'd like a little more character here – it's slightly too neutral – but this is a good-value choice for those who favour a bone-dry, restrained style of rosé. (If you prefer...

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