Prestige Rosé 2019
Côtes de Provence, France

ESTATE
Château Minuty is the global leader in Côtes de Provence rosé, and beyond that it can be argued is the most important estate in the history of Provence rosé. The Saint-Tropez based, family owned estate has been, since its founding, one of the quality leaders for the region. Minuty then became one of the most visible producers in the second half of the 20th century, a result of quality production and commercial foresight when no one in the region could imagine the global phenomenon Provence rosé would become. And then in the last two decades, Minuty defined the vision for and led the unbelievable growth in Provence rosé around the globe. All this achieved by a family estate now in its third generation, led by two brothers overseeing all the vineyard work, winemaking and sales.

WINE
If you notice just one wine on the beach and seaside restaurants in the south of France, it is almost certainly Minuty Prestige. This wine has become the emblem of the Riviera lifestyle, and it is place that has been earned through the unbelievable dedication to quality by the Minuty family.

VINEYARD
Prestige comes from two Minuty estate vineyards: the original estate vineyard in Saint-Tropez, and Château Verez, located in the hills of Vidauban. Both vineyards are 100% hand harvested.

WINEMAKING
Harvest: September 2019
Variety: 60% Grenache, 20% Syrah, 10% Cinsault, 10% Tibouren
Fermentation: Direct pressing to extract free-run juice only; low temperature fermentation
Aging: 4 months, stainless steel
Alcohol: 12.5%

VINTAGE
2019 was an excellent vintage. The late warm weather resulted in an early and relatively quick harvest, and the estate focus on viticulture and winemaking to emphasize freshness plays beautifully with the intense fruit.

TASTING NOTE
Pale with pomelo highlights. The nose is precise and delicate with notes of flowers and melon. In the mouth, the wine is powerful and well balanced, with notes of citrus and red fruits. It is the most structured and expressive of all the Minuty wines. The whole is underlined by a pleasant minerality.