

Product code: 3564

## SOLARA, ROSÉ, VIILE TIMISULUI, ROMANIA, 2020



### Technical Details

**Varieties:**

Cabernet Sauvignon 76%  
Merlot 24%

**ABV:** 12%

**Closure:** Screw cap

**Colour:** Rose

**Style:** Still wine

**Case Size:** 6 x 75cl

### Oak Treatment

No oak treatment

### Producer Profile

The Cramele Recas Estate, owned by Englishman, Philip Cox and his Romanian wife Elvira, have put in a huge amount of work into transforming their slice of grape growing history into a contemporary winemaking haven.

The immaculate vineyards are a combination of evolved plantings from 1447 and much more recent plantings too. With recent investments into modernising and improving their winery, they regularly host world class flying winemakers, vintage to vintage, to work with their team. This enables them to create top quality wines and constantly challenge themselves push innovations and approach winemaking with an open mind.

### Viticulture

Winemaking team, Hartley Smithers from Australia, and Nora Iriate from Spain, together veterans of over 50 harvests in all the world's wine producing regions, oversee the production of all the wines from grapes till bottle with a fanatical attention to detail. The philosophy is simple- to apply the absolute best production methods to every single wine, to enhance and preserve the natural quality of the grapes, and provide a consistently high quality product every year for every level of wine made.

### Winemaking

Grapes lightly destemmed, crushed and directly pressed. Only the free run juice was used for this wine which is about 50% of the total amount. The free run juice was clarified by floatation using nitrogen gas, and then the wine was fermented at controlled temperature around 10°C in order to manage the speed of the fermentation, which took around 15 days. The wine was then clarified and naturally cold stabilised by storage in outside tanks during the winter. Lightly filtered and then directly bottled while fresh.

### Tasting Note

Very pale pink with purple touches, intense notes strawberry and cranberry on the nose, fresh fruit packed and crisp with hints of cherry, raspberry and strawberry, crunchy acidity, refreshing and fresh.

### Food Matching

Thai red curry tiger prawns, or with summer barbequed swordfish.