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Yalumba Y-Series 2011 Sangiovese Rose South Australia, \$15

At a recent rosé tasting at Soju Girl in the city, rosé took centre stage. It was the second year of the Rosé Revolution, a marketing drive to promote rosé, with an emphasis on dry styles. In all, there were about 50 rosés for tasting. The night was warm and a cool glass of rosé seemed to be the best way to finish off the day. Surprisingly, many of the rosés on offer were not very dry, and some were obviously sweet. The sweeter

wines were still good on the whole, but it would be nice to see more winemakers make drier styles. Sangiovese seemed to be one of the varieties capable of making good dry rosé styles. There were excellent examples from Pizzini, Dal Zotto and Mitolo, all made from sangiovese and all dry. In the same week, I tried Yalumba's Y-Series sangiovese rosé. It's a great example of a simple, easily quaffed, drier style of rosé. Juicy red berry fruits, cherry and red currant spring to mind, with a crisp dry finish to leave you wanting more. Had this wine been in the

line-up at Soju Girl, I'm sure it would have surprised many there. It's a great example of everything that's good in a dry rosé.

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