

riesling 2020

TASTING NOTES

Earthy, herbaceous and filled with personality. Cape Jasmine, dried apricot and honeysuckle linger as you lazy away in front of a cozy fireplace. Enjoy with good company and a hearty dish of Cassia's Moroccan spiced springbok shank.

WINEMAKER, ETIENNE LOUW'S Comments

Riesling's aromatic subtlety, racy acidity and gracious aging potential, makes this a stand-out varietal that truly reflects the Nitida terroir. After experiencing three of the driest winters back to back followed by a cool dry 2019 summer and the vineyards responded with smaller, more concentrated berries. With careful canopy management we managed to keep a natural fresh acidity in the grapes.

We harvested the Riesling on the 26th of March at a near perfect analysis of 24,4 Balling, 3.13 pH and total acidity of 8.2 g/L. The juice were left on the skins for 6 hours before a gentle pressing to extract as much of the flavour compounds without losing any of the freshness.

The wine was fermented for two months at 12°C and stopped naturally at a residual sugar of 10 g/L. The wine was left on the lees for 4 months before racking it off the lees and a light filtration before bottling.

VITICULTURAL DETAILS

Cultivar: 100% Riesling Vintage: 2020 Soil Type: Hutton

TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 13.5% Residual Sugar: 9.3 g/L Acidity: 7.3 pH: 3.05 Extract: 33.5 Annual Production: 8 000 btls

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