

TASTING NOTES



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ST ANDREWS

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RIESLING 2017

REGION & VINEYARD INFORMATION

Clare Valley

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

In the growing season leading up to vintage 2017, winter rainfall was above average, in fact for the full year, it was the wettest recorded since 2000. Soil temperatures remained very low due to the waterlogged conditions and the below average ambient temperatures recorded through the spring resulted in budburst occurring up to a month later than in recent years. Weather conditions during flowering however were favourable and hence fruit set was good across all varieties. Harvest began in late February and picking continued at a slow and steady rate until early May due to the prevailing mild conditions. Overall, our winemakers have declared the vintage to be above average vintage in terms of quantity and fruit quality with Riesling a standout white variety.

VINIFICATION

The aim is to craft a wine of delicacy and finesse that will age well. To this end, the juice was extracted using gentle whole berry pressing to protect the delicate fruit flavours and prevent any extraction of coarse phenolic character. It is then chilled quickly to just under 10 degrees C. The entire process occurring within ~15 minutes of harvest to ensure the true varietal and regional characters are captured and retained. The juice was allowed to cold settle for 24 hrs before being racked off gross lees. A cool fermentation was carried out in stainless steel vessels, using a relatively neutral yeast strain to preserve varietal characteristics. The fermentation was completed to a natural level of dryness. Minimal fining and filtration is employed prior to bottling in June 2017.

WINEMAKER NOTES

At release, the wine is a very pale straw colour with a slight green tinge to the edge. It displays zesty lemon and lime aromas along with faint orange blossom and talc. This particular Clare Riesling is still tight and restrained with a linear focus to the palate and purity of fruit flavours. There are lashings of fresh lemon/lime juice characters up front and a slate-like minerality across the mid-palate. It is backed up by a persistent and refreshing lime acid finish.

CELLARING NOTES

Under ideal conditions this wine should cellar well to 2037, possibly longer.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol	12.36%	Acid	9.79g/litre
PH	2.90	Residual Sugar	0.12

AWARDS & MEDALS



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AWARDS FOR ST. ANDREWS RIESLING 2017

WINE SHOW

Catavinum World Wine & Spirit Competition 2018
Wine Showcase Magazine New Release Tasting 2017
Decanter Asia Wine Awards 2017

AWARD

Gold
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