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## 2017 Riesling

### ADELAIDE HILLS

#### VINEYARD

Riesling has a strong affinity for the cooler climates of the World, and it is therefore no surprise that it would produce wines of great character in the Adelaide Hills. We have three clones at our disposal, and harvested the two clones from Geisenheim, Germany (D2V2 and GM239) on the 26th of March, whilst the BVRC-17 clone was picked on the 31st. In terms of aromatic purity, the Geisenheim parcel was slightly ahead and ended up forming the base of our final blend. Highlighted by pristine natural acidity and bright lemon lime fruits, the citrus blossom like aromatics that were evident at the juice stage, and continued through to the finished wine.

#### WINEMAKING

Only the free run components were retained after being gently pressed in our airbag/tank press, denying the inclusion of any harsh phenolics. The parcels were sequentially inoculated using an Austrian yeast isolet then a strain of Portuguese heritage. Fermentation was run between 16-20°C and took about two weeks to complete. After fermentation, the wine was held on yeast lees to add further complexity to the fine acid structure and gentle floral and citrus fruit flavours. A small portion was fermented in larger format oak and utilised in the final blend aiding in the contribution of some extra complexity.

#### TASTING NOTES

COLOUR	Bright pale straw.
AROMA	Lifted floral aromas.
FLAVOUR	The lively citrus fruit intensity is finely balanced by the tight structure and crisp natural acidity.

TECHNICAL DATA	Alcohol vol: 12.1%
	Total Acidity: 7.8 g/L
	pH: 3.13
	Residual Sugar: 2.5 g/L

CELLAR POTENTIAL	Riesling has the capacity to age gracefully when cellared, evolving subtle nuances with time yet it is perhaps best known for its characteristic vibrancy and zesty fruit flavours when consumed in its youth.
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#### HAVE IT WITH ...

Seafood, pasta, veal, pork chops, goat cheese, sushi/sashimi.