

Wonderland of the Eden Valley Riesling 2024

Dandelion Vineyards

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Eden Valley is Dandelion Vineyard's Riesling Wonderland



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Background

Dandelion Vineyards is a unique fusion of vineyards and vignerons. Our wines represent decades of experience, blending the fruit of our old vine gardens with the finest traditions of artisan winemaking.

Dandelion Vineyards are proven plantings that have stood the test of time. Our wish is to nurture the unique character of these vineyards and express their terroir in our wines.

Capturing variety, vintage and vineyard requires an enlightened approach and although our growers see the Devil in every weed, we encourage the humble Dandelion amongst the vines as they suppress winter weeds, provide mulch in summer, and proffer their Wishing Clocks in spring to blow off and make our wish come true.

Colin Kroehn tended his Eden Valley Riesling for 66 of his 86 years. Our Wonderland of the Eden Valley is made entirely from his vineyard which was planted in 1912 and thrives to this day.

Whole bunches were hand picked on the last week of March then destemmed in small batches without crushing the fruit to fill our press exactly. The free run juice was then fermented in small tanks between 11 and 14 degrees Celcius, the wine has a high level of natural acidity, low pH of and although bone dry, an alcohol of only 11.5%.

This Wonderland of the Eden Valley Riesling was bottled with minimal winemaking artifact to capture the essence of the vineyard, a looking glass if you will, and is ready to drink immediately or cellar for decades. Thank you and Vale Mr. Kroehn Vintage 1924 - 2010.

Tasting Notes

Colour

Pale white-gold; starbright and illuminating.

Nose

Musk and lemon sherbet just fizzed and whizzed. Orange zest, talcum powder, honey-suckle and myriad citrus aromas: lime juice and lime peel; mandarin and mandarin tree foliage in Spring.

Palate

A searing citrus line of speeding, hurtling acidity. Pure and powerful, with the core of intense lemon and lime fruit flavours swept along on this exhilarating ride. There is - to start - a tip-of-the-tongue fruit ripeness, but then at the palate's end all is savoury and mineral and dry. Great length, and the aftertaste lingers long.

Drink

Do not overchill this racy white wine. It is perfection itself with the most humble and simple of all Chinese steamed dumplings, tomorrow at luncheon; or you can cellar this wine for 10 years and then drink it as an aperitif, or silent prayer.

Specifics

Alcohol: 11.5% TA: 7.89 g/L pH: 2.85 Latitude 34°37'58" South Longitude 139°05'28" East Altitude 1501 Feet = 457 Metres



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Zar Brooks, Typist & tba, Elena Brooks, BSc (Oenology) Adelaide Winemaker