



ROLF BINDER

BAROSSA VALLEY



2016 Riesling Eden Valley

Winemaker: Christa Deans

Eden Valley Riesling is prized for its vibrancy and longevity and has produced many of Australia's great Rieslings. This is another outstanding release from Christa Deans, known worldwide for her expertise with this varietal.

THE VINEYARDS:

The fruit for this Riesling is sourced from two Eden Valley vineyards - Christa's own vineyard on the western side of the Valley, with supplemental fruit from a select grower in the township of Eden Valley. Warm days and cool nights in this higher altitude, sub region of the Barossa ensure that the grapes develop ripe, intense fruit flavours while still retaining appealing acidity.

THE VINTAGE:

The 2015/16 growing season started in the middle of a dry year in the Barossa. Rainfall was down and the resulting drier soils, combined with a warmer than average spring and early summer meant the vines got away at a cracking pace. January was less extreme than in previous years. With no rain for most of the month the grapes kept ripening quickly. Up to 30mm of rain fell in the last days of the month, providing welcome refreshment for vines. Despite the challenges of the dry season, most vineyards ripened evenly and completely. The result overall was good but not bumper yields, with great flavours and colours (in reds) and surprisingly good natural acids.

THE WINEMAKING:

Vineyards were harvested early March & the batches of fruit were processed & fermented separately in the winery. The resulting wines were blended together & then bottled early July.

THE PROFILE:

A more floral and aromatic style this vintage. Fresh, crisp and vibrant, this 2016 Riesling release displays delicate rose floral and musk aromas with a zesty lime citrus core that lingers well on the palate.

ANALYSIS: Alc. Vol 12.5%, Acidity 7.3 g/l, pH 2.9

CELLARING:

Vibrant and fresh now, it will also reward those who are able to wait. Drink now to 2030.

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