150 YEARS OF FAMILY WINEMAKING



2019 PEGGY'S HILL RIESLING

GRAPE VARIETY

100% riesling grown in Eden Valley.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Harvest Date: 1 - 13 March | Alcohol: 11.5% | pH: 3.03 | Acidity: 6.70g/L

MATURATION

Fermented in tank and bottled post-vintage to preserve the delicate aromatic fruit characters.

WINE DESCRIPTION

Pale straw with lime hues. Incredibly fragrant aromas of jasmine, frangipani and white rose are delicately balanced with notes of lime juice and lime leaf. Citrus blossom, zesty lime and ripe citrus flavours interlace with a sweep of green apple acidity and a fine mineral edge that provides focus and purity on the long, clean finish.

BACKGROUND

The riesling takes its name from a local landmark, Peggy's Hill, at the top of the range between Eden Valley and Keyneton. Produced from selected traditional Henschke Eden Valley growers, whose vines are up to 50 years old, growing in low-vigour ancient Cambrian soils at around 500m altitude. The Eden Valley riesling displays exceptional varietal and regional characteristics.

VINTAGE DESCRIPTION

Vintage 2019 shaped up to be a challenging one, with below-average yields, however the quality was very high, with beautiful expressions of varietal character and generally good balance and structure. The hand-picked fruit that arrived at the winery in the cool of the morning was clean, with good concentrated flavours. A dry winter, spring and summer with warmer than average temperatures in January and February lead to the advancement of maturity of all grape varieties in the Eden Valley and an early onset of vintage. The later-ripening varieties, riesling and cabernet were standouts, however most varieties were of a very high standard, including shiraz despite miniscule yields.

ACCOLADES

2019 Barossa Wine Show - Silver Medal

CELLARING POTENTIAL

Excellent vintage, 10+ years (from vintage).

REVIEWED June 2019

