

MAD FISH

WESTERN AUSTRALIA

2015 MadFish Late Harvest Riesling

Variety
Riesling

Region
Great Southern



The Vintage

The first signs of the approaching vintage began with budburst in the early spring of 2014, as the vines shrugged off their winter dormancy. It is during this early season that weather conditions start to shape the vintage to come.

A warm spring preceded a warm, dry summer that set the stage for a promising outcome. The middle autumn period produced intermittent and lingering rains that cooled the season and slowed the harvest of some varieties.

For Riesling 2015 has delivered fruit with ripe fruit flavours and a mineral, linear acidity.

Winemaking

Grapes for the Late Harvest Riesling are allowed to remain on the vines for a week or two more in order to eke out just a little bit more sugar and ripeness. Upon arrival at the winery the Riesling is immediately chilled and pressed to obtain the highest quality juice. Fermentation is long, slow and cold in order to retain the fresh fruit. The fermentation is then stopped at the desired alcohol to retain natural fruit sweetness.

Tasting Notes

The wine is pale gold in colour with straw green tinges at the rim. The nose is engaging and expressive, with aromas of quince blossom, honeysuckle and fresh cut ripe pear. The palate is rich yet supple, an interplay of acid and sugar which creates layers of texture. Lemon curd, glacé orange, Fuji apple and summer fruit salad flavours complement the luxurious mouthfeel. The evident sweetness and refreshing clean finish are typical of the style, of which this wine is a balanced expression.

The 2015 MadFish Late Harvest Riesling will pair fantastically with fresh Asian flavours or even a spicy Moroccan vegetable tagine.

Cellaring

This fruity and youthful style of Riesling is definitely a drink now kind of wine, but the framework of acid and sweetness will keep it nimble and fresh over the next 2-3 years.

Technical Data

Alcohol 11.5% v/v

Acidity 8.6 g/l

Residual sugar 47 g/l

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