

LADBROKE *Grove*

2014 SCHOOL HOUSE BLOCK RIESLING



Ladbroke Grove Riesling is a single vineyard site special release varietal only bottled in years of exceptional fruit quality. A proven medal and trophy winner in recent years.

Variety:

100% Riesling

Vineyard:

The fruit is sourced from our Schoolhouse vineyards located on rich sandy loam on the northern end of the Coonawarra ridge. The vineyard is 18 years of age and yield is approximately 4 tonnes per hectare.

Vintage Conditions:

2014 was a longer vintage than usual with warm, dry days and cool nights. It proved to be an ideal growing season for Riesling, providing the fruit with distinct varietal characters, freshness and intense flavours.

Vinification:

Harvested early in the morning, the fruit was immediately pressed and separated into free run and pressing tanks. The juice was inoculated with several different yeasts and post-ferment was racked off lees, and a blend of several batches was made. The final blend was clarified and received a light fining before filtration and bottling.

Tasting Notes:

Colour: Pale straw with golden hues.

Aroma: Intense lemon butter, lime and lifted floral notes. Slight toastiness with subtle hints of cinnamon, cloves and light musk.

Palate: Showing the unique characteristics and flavours that only age and maturity can provide, the wine shows primary fruit layers of lime blossom, fresh citrus and secondary fruit characteristics of subtle spice and brioche underpinned by still fresh natural acidity and refreshing minerality.

Peak drinking: Drinking well now, but careful cellaring will allow further development with bottle age.

Wine Analysis:

Alcohol 11.5%

Total Acidity 7.01g/L

pH 3.02

Residual Sugar 1.25g/L

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