

Pizzini Riesling 2023

Tier 3 King Valley Craft – The King Valley is home to abundant beauty and extraordinary wine, thanks to its cool climate and fertile soil. It is also a place of inspiration, tenacity and ingenuity. This is where, for generations, Pizzini have been experimenting with – and perfecting- diverse and innovative Italian varieties.

Story - Diversity. Expression. Purity. Our place in the King valley – with its gently undulating slopes providing a wide range of microclimates – is the perfect home for crafting nuanced and characterful wine varieties.

TECHNICAL INFORMATION

Varietal percentage: 100% Riesling

Picked: March 2023

Average brix: 19.0

Area Harvested: 2.5Ha

VINTAGE 2023

Probably one of our most challenging vintages for some time. It was very cold and wet for most of the growing season, causing our soils to be wet and soggy. There were even springs developing at some points in the middle of the vineyard which resulted in a few bogged tractors requiring some clever problem solving. The cold and wet also gave rise to high disease pressure and we are very thankful our team looked after the vines so well, protecting the crops from downy mildew. Thankfully the summer arrived late in December and dried out the vineyards allowing us to still produce some great wines in a very challenging year.

VINIFICATION

Fruit for our Riesling comes from three premium cool climate vineyard sites within the King Valley with elevations between 350 and 600m above sea level. The combination of this premium fruit provides enhanced citrus characteristics, freshness and vitality. The grapes are machine harvested at night, then crushed, de-stemmed and pressed lightly, enhancing the delicacy and elegance of the wine. The juice was fermented using selected yeast which enhances citrus notes and palate structure. It was then cool fermented to retain freshness and varietal character.

MATURATION

Fermentation vessel: Stainless steel Type of oak: Nil used

Fining agent: Gelatine & Isinglass Filtration: Crossflow filtration

THE WINE

A fabulous example of King Valley Riesling – this wine is crisp, delicate and has beautifully aromatics. The wine is straw colour with a green hue. The aromas are vibrant with lifted florals, lemon, lime blossom and talcum powder notes, supported by a clean minerality. The palate is zippy and lingering with lemons, limes and bright, crunchy acidity plus amazing length. Perfect with lightly crumbed salt and chilli calamari.

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Alcohol: 11.9% Alc/Vol Acid: 7.2 g/L

pH: 3.08 Bottled: May 2023

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