



# BEL CANTO Dry Riesling

## What the press say .....

### 2017

**93/100** “**Exotic** ... variety of candied stone-fruit with guava and apple pastry holding the finish ... The palate has **distinctive weight and richness** ...” - Nick Stock, [www.jamessuckling.com](http://www.jamessuckling.com), USA

★★★★★ **95/100**

“A gorgeous rendition of dry riesling, it is **richly fruited and fragrant** ... concentrated palate that is generously flavoured and persistent. **The wine is elegantly opulent and delectable**”  
- Sam Kim, *Wine Orbit*, NZ

**94/100**

“ **big bold complex wine ... A richly-textured Riesling with a lingering finish**”  
- Bob Campbell MW, NZ

### 2016

*No wine produced in this vintage*

### 2015

**97/100** **Sophisticated, complex and very enticing bouquet.** ... Dry, complex and layered on the palate, high acidity is contrasted by a little residual sweetness, honey tones and a core of fruit. **Complex lengthy finish - a fantastic wine.**

- Cameron Douglas MS, [camerondouglasms.blogspot.co.nz](http://camerondouglasms.blogspot.co.nz), NZ

**94/100** A very powerful and essence-like expression of pickled lime, preserved lemon and baked peach fruits. **The structure is impeccably judged, reining in massive amounts of flavor perfectly.**

- Nick Stock, [www.jamessuckling.com](http://www.jamessuckling.com), USA

★★★★★

“... concentrated, dense heart packed with harmoniously integrated flavours of ripe citrus fruits, marmalade, honeysuckle and musk. This has **real body and presence**, and the palate has a rounded and gently unctuous mouthfeel....**concentrated dry Riesling** with ripe citrus fruits, honey, musk and marmalade botrytis flavours on a rounded, unctuous palate”

- Raymond Chan, [www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz](http://www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz), NZ

**93/100** Dry, flavoursome riesling with honey, toast, lime, ginger and floral flavours. Quite a weighty example, with a drying backbone of phenolics and gentle acidity. **A rich and complex wine** that should develop well.

- Bob Campbell MW, [www.bobcampbell.nz](http://www.bobcampbell.nz), NZ



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2014



“... this outstanding North Canterbury wine shines in just such a fashion with its tropical fruit aromas, juicy acidity, and **deliciously long finish**. Its drinks beautifully now but can age for a decade or more.”

- Joelle Thompson, *Drinksbiz*, NZ

**92/100** “... concentrated and with a seductive satiny texture, it is an opulent, Rubenesque expression of a dry Riesling, and it **works beautifully**.”

- Lisa Perrotti-Brown MW, *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*, USA

**19/20** It's a complex Riesling with apricot, honey, spice, clove, floral and citrus characters – a real medley of interesting flavours..... It gives a nod in the direction of Alsace. - Bob Campbell MW, NZ

**19/20** “...**The wine is smooth in texture and there is considerable power and drive**. The alcohol and lacy acidity are balanced, and the wine has excellent proportion, the dense core unfolding succulent citrus and exotic tropical fruit flavours on a very long and sustained finish. This is a full and substantial dryish Riesling with citrus, marmalade and honied flavours, **showing drive, power and balance**.”

- Raymond Chan, [www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz](http://www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz), NZ

2013

*No wine produced in this vintage*

2012

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2011

**93/100** Very rich-smelling nose of citrus and tropical fruits: mango, guava and papaya. Some botrytis-induced complexity on the nose, too. **The palate swells impressively** with a tropical flourish before finishing crisp and clean with a vibrant, lively acid line.

- Nick Stock [www.jamessuckling.com](http://www.jamessuckling.com), USA

**93/100** 'An evocative name for a delicious wine. This full-bodied "dry" Riesling from the Waipara Valley is actually off-dry, but it's none the worse for that. This is exotic and rich, with old vine complexity and flavours of lime, peach and nectarine. It's especially good with spicy food, but is also delicious as an aperitif.'

- Tim Atkin MW, *Decanter Magazine*. UK

**From Waipara riesling supremos Pegasus Bay, comes this amazing opulent and intense example** with a shimmering citrus and mineral salt character coursing through its lush palate of honey, marmalade, peach and lime oil.

- Jo Burzynska, *NZ Herald*, NZ