



Riesling

What the press say

"A true New Zealand classic ..."

– Stephen Wong MW, *Wine Sentience*, NZ

★★★★★ Awarded Super Classic Status "This is classy stuff."

– Michael Cooper's *Buyer's Guide*, NZ

"Surely a classic in its own right"

– Michael Broadbent, *Decanter*, UK

"Canterbury with its sunshine and big diurnal shifts is the beating heart of NZ Riesling production with **Pegasus Bay arguably the country's best-known producer for the grape.**"

– Chris Losh, *Imbibe Magazine*, UK

"... Pegasus Bay's rieslings remain New Zealand benchmarks ..."

– Dr Jo Burzynska, NZ

2022

93/100 "... Layered zesty and savoury finish makes this quite unique."

– James Suckling *Wine Reviews*, www.jamessuckling.com, USA

2021

94/100 "... Aromatic and brilliant. Full body. Vivid and medium-sweet on the palate. Steely and clear."

– James Suckling *Wine Reviews*, www.jamessuckling.com, USA

92/100 "... a lengthy, scented appeal ... a sense of firmness and structure here, with phenolics and acidity providing direction on the finish."

– Rebecca Gibb MW, *Vinous*

93+/100 "... Really good! Let's see it again in 10 years."

– Erin Larkin, *Robert Parker Wine Advocate*, www.robertparker.com, USA

2020

94/100 "**Complex, layered aromatics** ... A taut, salivating, and intense palate with concentrated lime fruit, a crystalline texture, and bracing zippy acid. A touch of sweetness on the finish provides the **perfect balance.**"

– New Zealand Wine Rater, Stephen Bennett MW & Lynnette Hudson, NZ

92/100 "**The 2020 Riesling from Pegasus Bay is a succulent and satisfying mouthfeel** ... well balanced, running the gauntlet between austerity and sweetness, sweetly."

– Rebecca Gibb MW, *Vinous*

95/100 "Wonderfully fruited and **immediately appealing** ... **Opulent yet harmonious** ... **long and luscious**"

– Sam Kim, www.wineorbit.co.nz, NZ



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94/100 “Fantastic bouquet, pure, ripe, zesty and fresh ... **Delicious, fresh and just dry on the finish.**”
- Cameron Douglas MS, www.camdouglasms.com, NZ

95/100 “... **Sweetness is nicely balanced by tangy acidity giving the wine an exquisite tension. Complex and concentrated.**”
- Bob Campbell MW, *The Real Review*, NZ

19/20 “... **This complex, heavy-weight Riesling is packed with flavours, concentration and a long, balanced drive**”
- Candice Chow, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

★★★★★ “**Classy stuff ... it is weighty and rich ... a very harmonious finish**”
- Michael Cooper, www.michaelcooperwines.co.nz, NZ

93/100 “... **Articulate and rounded** with the sweetness adding definition and depth ... **Delicious.**”
- James Suckling Wine Reviews, www.jamessuckling.com, USA

2019

94/100 “... Quite **rich, full bodied and flavoursome** with a spritz element and a zesty finish.”
- New Zealand Wine Rater, Stephen Bennett MW & Lynnette Hudson, NZ

92/100 “... A light CO2 spritz on the entry makes for a lively start ... **Satisfying weight and depth** are accompanied by roundness from the residual sugar (28g/L) while the fine acidity and textural phenolics provide a sense of structure ...”
- Rebecca Gibb MW, *Vinous*

19/20 “... **Pegasus Bay Riesling is one of New Zealand’s greatest white wines every year.** It’s a maverick, brave, adventurous white that is delicious now and ages for a decade and then some.”
- Joelle Thomson, *Drinksbiz Magazine*, NZ

95/100 “**Immensely complex and enticing ...**” gorgeously flavoursome palate that's filled with succulent fruit flavours and spicy nuances. It's **generous and opulent yet refined and structured with a persistent delicious finish.**”
- Sam Kim, www.wineorbit.co.nz, NZ

95/100 “... **Delicious, fleshy and long.**”
- Cameron Douglas MS, www.camdouglasms.com, NZ

19-/20 “... **vibrant and refreshing ... multilayered richness and precision**”
- Candice Chow, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

★★★★★ “... **delicious wine is full of youthful impact. Rich and vibrant, ...**”
- Michael Cooper, *Listener Magazine*, NZ

2018

94/100 “... **rich, luscious ... unctuous. A big, bold, beautiful statement wine.**”
- New Zealand Wine Rater, Stephen Bennett MW & Lynnette Hudson, NZ



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16.5/20 “... a distinctive wine with notable persistence”

- Julia Harding, www.jancisrobinson.com, UK

95/100 “Gorgeously ripe and inviting ... awesome concentration ... Splendidly harmonious and filled with delectable flavours”

– Sam Kim, www.wineorbit.co.nz, NZ

94/100 “... Restrained lushness with a lingering finish.”

– Bob Campbell MW, *The Real Review*, NZ

2017

★★★★★ “... Concentrated, with gentle sweetness ... good acid spine”

- Michael Cooper, www.michaelcooper.co.nz, NZ

94/100 “... The palate has a very supple and succulent feel ... **Very complex texture. Superb.**”

- Nick Stock, www.jamessuckling.com, USA

2016

★★★★★ “... crisp but not high acidity, ... **A very harmonious wine, it's delicious ...**”

- Winestate Magazine, AUS

93/100 “... long, fluid build of concentrated citrus and stone fruit flavours. **Terrific depth**”

- Nick Stock, www.jamessuckling.com, USA

18.5/20 “North Canterbury is one of the world's great Riesling regions ... To call this wine 'iconic' is to wildly understate the greatness of both the region and of the winemaker....”

- Joelle Thomson, *Drinksbiz Magazine*, NZ

★★★★★ **95/100** “irresistibly delicious ... sumptuous palate ... **excellent depth and intensity ... balanced and harmonious**”

- Sam Kim, *Wine Orbit*, www.wineorbit.co.nz, NZ

2015

93/100 “Off-dry and packed with richness, this has a wealth of ripe peach and mango fruits. The palate has bracing acidity that lifts really weighty ...” – Nick Stock, www.jamessuckling.com, USA

95/100 “... Rich, concentrated and flavoursome Riesling ... Sweetness is balanced by fruity acidity and fine tannins. **A powerful wine with character.**” – Bob Campbell MW, www.bobcampbell.nz, NZ

16.5/20 “Very nice balance for a Spätlese style of wine. Real refreshment and vitality. Nice savoury undertow. Racy and with good length.” – Jancis Robinson MW, www.jancisrobinson.com, UK



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94/100 “ Very aromatic bouquet ... very **fresh, lively - dancing on the palate** ... ”

– Cameron Douglas MS, camerondouglasms.blogspot.co.nz, NZ

18.5/20 “ ... The wine carries smoothly to an elegant, long lingering finish. ... **elegantly rich and luscious** medium Riesling ... a **fine-textured, refreshing palate**. ... ”

– Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

2014

18.5/20 “ ...is a soft, rich, medium Riesling with exotic flavours of limes, honey and musk. “

– Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

93/100 “ A richly-textured wine with benchmark varietal flavours.”

– Bob Campbell MW, www.bobcampbell.nz, NZ

92/100 “ ... beguiling core of intensity and complexity ... **A delicious example of Riesling** ... ”

– Cameron Douglas MS, camerondouglasms.blogspot.co.nz, NZ

2013

92/100 This distinctive style of Riesling is jam-packed with honey, tree fruit/apricot and orange marmalade flavours (among many others). . . . – Bob Campbell MW, www.bobcampbell.nz, NZ

Top wine of tasting - “. . . an absolutely outstanding wine with intense concentration of colour, aroma, flavour, body and acidity; The finish is very long finish and this wine shows an exceptional response to the climate that it comes from. . . **serious and very complex....This wine was my favourite for its great balance and intense fresh flavours.**” – Vino - www.joellethomson.co.nz, NZ

18.5/20 “... This has much more to unfold.... the palate features soft, ripe, up-front citrus fruit and honied flavours along with nuances of exotic yellow florals. The mouthfeel is smooth-flowing with a fine phenolic line and discreet, lacy acidity guiding the palate....This is a soft, rich and gently succulent medium Riesling with citrus and honied flavours and toasty detail.”

– Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

2012

19/20 “...This has developed some secondary nuance and is quite complete in expression. ... The wine has concentration and follows a very fine line leading to a very long and sustained honied finish. **This is a rich and harmonious medium Riesling with complex nuances, underlying vitality and a complete mouthfeel.** . . . “ – Raymond Chan, www.raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, NZ

★★★★★ Bright, light lemon/green, with **lovely poise and concentration. Showing real depth through the palate**, it is peachy, slightly limey, and honeyed, with gentle sweetness, good acid spine, and a touch of bottle-aged complexity. Drink now or cellar.

– Michael Cooper's Buyers Guide, NZ