



Wonderland of the Eden Valley Riesling 2020

Dandelion Vineyards
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Eden Valley is Dandelion Vineyard's Riesling Wonderland



Background

Dandelion Vineyards is a unique fusion of vineyards and vigneron. Our wines represent decades of experience, blending the fruit of our old vine gardens with the finest traditions of artisan winemaking.

Dandelion Vineyards are proven plantings that have stood the test of time. Our wish is to nurture the unique character of these vineyards and express their terroir in our wines.

Capturing variety, vintage and vineyard requires an enlightened approach and although our growers see the Devil in every weed, we encourage the humble Dandelion amongst the vines as they suppress winter weeds, provide mulch in summer, and proffer their Wishing Clocks in spring to blow off and make our wish come true.

Colin Kroehn tended his Eden Valley Riesling for 66 of his 86 years. Our Wonderland of the Eden Valley is made entirely from his vineyard which was planted in 1912 and thrives to this day.

Whole bunches were hand picked on the last week of February then destemmed in small batches without crushing the fruit to fill our press exactly. The free run juice was then fermented in small tanks between 11 and 14 degrees Celcius, the wine has a high level of natural acidity, 8.2 grams per litre, a pH of 2.91 and although bone dry, only 10.8% alcohol.

This Wonderland of the Eden Valley Riesling was bottled with minimal winemaking artifact to capture the essence of the vineyard, a looking glass if you will, and is ready to drink immediately or cellar for decades. Thank you and Vale Mr. Kroehn Vintage 1924 - 2010.

Tasting Notes

Colour

Pale gold yet starbright.

Nose

Musk, talcum, Wandering Dew, sea asparagus, wild onion flowers, wet river pebbles and slate. An aromaticity that soars.

Palate

A dry and crisp palate defined by a long shining steel line of searing acidity. Flavours and textures of minerals, rain water, lime zest, lemon peel, and freshly peeled green apple skin. The after-taste is mouth-puckering and reveals an intense atom-like core of apple and citrus fruit.

Drink

The intensity of this super-fine riesling suits it to richer foods, such as pork terrine or best presswurst. Scallops on the half shell with a lemon butter sauce or a melange of Chinese steamed dumplings would also welcome the steeliness of this white wine. And at 10.8% alcohol (and yet as dry as a bone!) you can comfortably enjoy a second glass.

Specifics

Alcohol: 10.8%

TA: 8.2 g/L

pH: 2.91

Latitude 34°37'58" South

Longitude 139°05'28" East

Altitude 1501 Feet = 457 Metres

Wish you were here...

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