Dry Riesling

2024 | BANNOCKBURN

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Vibrant
Elderflower
Balanced

Vintage Notes

Spring started with a few cold and hardy frosts just before budburst at our Pisa and Cairnmuir sites. Slow shoot growth in October and November was followed by favorable flowering conditions, leading to even ripeness within bunches. Growth accelerated in December with a hot and dry summer. Frosts in March and April slowed sugar ripeness, leading to a prolonged harvest from 7 March to 30 April. Despite these challenges, we achieved clean fruit with good canopies. Development of flavour and tannin was slower than sugar accumulation, but holding our nerve and leaving our healthy blocks to develop flavour resulted in a beautifully rounded vintage.

Winemakers Notes

Sourced exclusively from our Maia block within the Felton Terraces vineyard, this Dry Riesling speaks to both the maturity of the vines - planted in 2001 - and the unique character of the site.

Aromatically lifted with honeysuckle and jasmine, the nose is delicate yet expressive. The palate reveals layers of vibrant yellow peach, ripe stonefruit and hints of melon, all woven together with clarity and finesse. A lively thread of acidity gives the wine freshness and drive, while generous fruit weight and texture add depth and persistence on the finish.

Aging recommendation: 4 - 15 years



Technical Notes

Composition: 100% Riesling

Vineyard Aspect: North/Northwest sloping

Row Orientation: East-West

Soil: Weakly structured light alluvial soils overlaying schist rock

Elevation: 270m

Vinification

Hand-picked in the cool of the morning to preserve freshness, the fruit was whole-bunch pressed to stainless steel. The juice was inoculated and fermented at cool temperatures to retain the natural vibrancy and purity of Riesling. A slow, six-week fermentation built complexity and fine texture. The wine was then aged on lees for six months before being racked and prepared for bottling.

Vineyard/s	Harvest Date	Bottling Date	Qty Bottled	Alc	TA	pH	Residual Sugar
Felton Terraces	22nd April 2024	6th September 2023	275 x 9L cases	11.5%	8.4	2.9	3.5 g/L

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