



High on the slopes of Eden Valley, bright yellow and blue buckets squat between rows of vines. Pickers pedantically divide Riesling grapes row by row – **yellow, blue, yellow, blue, yellow, blue, yellow, blue.**

Overseeing the process, tasting the grapes, stand two of Australia's best known Riesling makers.

Clare Valley's **Jeffrey Grosset** and Eden Valley's **Robert Hill-Smith** work together each vintage before taking their chosen grapes – Jeffrey's in the blue buckets and Robert's in the yellow - and parting ways to crush and ferment the fruit at different locations.

Debate follows, as the juice is assessed and the final, final, final blend is agreed upon. Each component, nearly identical at the start, undergoes a different conversion into wine, reflecting the personal differences of both men.

Vintage Conditions

Eden Valley experienced its third dry winter in a row. Sufficient rain fell during spring to replenish the soils and stimulate vine growth. A mild growing and ripening season followed which was perfect for an excellent quality vintage.

Tasting Note

Green and vibrant in appearance. Aromas of zesty lemon with hints of grapefruit. The palate is intense and generous with lively lime and citrus flavours, finishing with refreshing acidity. As is the case with all great Eden Valley Rieslings, 2021 mesh will age gracefully into a mature wine.

Perfect with natural oysters, or a fresh rocket and pomegranate salad.

Eden Valley

South Australia's Eden Valley, high in the eastern ranges surrounding the Barossa Valley, averages between 400 and 600 metres in altitude. Soils are rocky grey loam and have high acidity. Winter rainfall is abundant (typically 50% more than Barossa Valley). Temperatures are up to two degrees cooler than Barossa Valley and the growing season longer. Cooling breezes from the region's gullies and hills ensure gradual ripening and maximum flavour development.

Technical Details

Alcohol	12.0%
Total Acid	6.9g/l
PH	2.95
Residual Sugar	0.4g/l
Harvested	24 February - 3 March 2021

