

NELSON GEWÜRZTRAMINER 2020



Wine Analysis

Vineyard: Seifried Brightwater and Redwood Valley Vineyards

Sugar at Harvest: 21.3°Brix

Date of Harvest: Mid March 2020

pH of Wine: 3.41 T.A of Wine: 5.1g/L Residual Sugar: 26g/L

Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

"...aromas of mango, fresh fig, lychee, Turkish Delight and subtle spice on the nose... rich texture and juicy fruit intensity, wonderfully complemented by whispering sweetness and refreshing acidity."

94 pts - Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, June 2020

The Vineyard

The Brightwater vines are grown in an extremely stony area of the vineyard where water and nutrient levels are low. This helps us to restrict the plants vigour and to crop at low levels. Our Brightwater Vineyard is situated 15km from the coast and is sheltered from the south by the Richmond ranges. The 'soil' is a combination of rocks and boulders which is very hard on the farm equipment but vital for holding the warmth of Nelson's sun and for ripening our Gewürztraminer grapes.

The unirrigated Redwood Valley vineyard is situated on a gently sloping, north facing clay site; the vines range in age from 10 to 30 years. Vertical shoot positioning helps to expose the berries to sunlight, thus getting maximum intensity and optimal ripeness.

Winemakers Note

Gewürztraminer is an early ripening variety with an aromatic, fragrant bouquet. It is naturally a low yielding vine which can produce wonderful concentration and flavour. After harvest the grapes were de-stemmed and left for a brief period of skin contact before pressing. The clear juice was inoculated with a pure yeast strain and then a cool, temperature-controlled fermentation began. After fermentation the wine had a period on yeast lees before it was racked, blended, clarified and stabilised prior to bottling in June 2020.

Tasting Note

The 2020 Seifried Nelson Gewurztraminer comes from our outstanding vintage in Nelson. An idyllic growing season meant the fruit was harvested in perfect condition. Intense and perfumed on the nose with notes of toffee apples and stem ginger. The palate is luscious with medium natural residual sweetness.

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