

NELSON RIESLING 2020



Awards

93 Points (5 Star) - Sam Kim, Wine Orbit 2020

Wine Analysis

Vineyard: Seifried Brightwater and Redwood Valley Vineyards

Sugar at Harvest: 21.2°Brix

Date of Harvest: Late March 2020

pH of Wine: 2.94 T.A of Wine: 8.2g/L Residual Sugar: 25g/L

Suitable for Vegetarians and Vegans: Yes

The Vineyard

Brightwater Vineyard 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. To further enhance the aromatics, leaves were removed to allow light penetration and air movement around the fruiting zone.

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

The combination of the two vineyard parcels blended together gives a greater wine than a single site alone. The Redwood Valley fruit brings more textural components to the palate while the Brightwater fruit delivers varietal floral characters and a real fruit purity.

Delicate fruit flavours and aromas were retained from the vineyard using careful canopy management and the grapes were picked at optimal ripeness in good condition. Fruit was de-stemmed and pressed immediately after harvest and a cool fermentation was initiated in stainless steel tanks to retain the clean aromatic fruit characters. The wine was blended and stabilised in September 2020.

Tasting Note

The 2020 Seifried Riesling is bright and lively with lemon-lime, subtle petals and green apple notes on the nose. The palate is succulent yet beautifully balanced with taut minerally acidity, leaving a long lingering finish on the wine.

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