



Wonderland of the Eden Valley Riesling 2022

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 Celsius, the wine has a high level of natural acidity, low pH of and although bone dry, an alcohol of only 11.5%.

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

White-gold, steel, starbright.

Nose

Ethereal aromatics: musk, talcum, spice, graphite, minerals, quartz, cinnamon, Ruby Grapefruit zest, river pebbles in the bubbling brook. The perfume of Eden Valley riesling on a gentle late Summer's zephyr. There, but as if invisible.

Palate

Dry. Long. Searing acidity coupled to a textural mouthfeel. And then a deep core of tightly wound and pristine, pure citrus fruits: lime, lemon, some mandarin and then small, tart oranges; kumquat and grapefruit, finger lime and Buddha's hand. The acidity cleans everything away at the back palate, refreshed as if sluiced by soft, cool mineral water. The steely spine and structure is undefeatable, however, and you are once again ready for another sip.

Drink

Cured fish from the sea or a good trout hot smoked, by your gamekeeper, whose name would be Mackintosh, or possibly McVanish. If you can resist, leave some of this wine in your cellar. Instruct your butler, whose name would be Dunmoochin, or possibly Swordfish.

Specifics

Alcohol: 11.5%

TA: 8.2 g/L

pH: 2.69

Latitude 34°37'58" South

Longitude 139°05'28" East

Altitude 1501 Feet = 457 Metres

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