



CATHERINE MARSHALL RANGE

2021 RIESLING



ORIGIN:

Elgin Valley, South Africa

TASTING NOTES:

Exudes sweet, yet persistent bright fresh limes, crisp apple, bees wax and wild honey. The fresh acidity is well balanced with the fruit sweetness and supported by mineral texture from the shale soils and has a long, intense, sherbet finish

PHILOSOPHY:

Riesling grapes are perfectly suited to cold climates and is known as an “Eskimo” variety. Since Elgin has cool daytime climate and cold nights during the growing season, it is perfectly suited to produce a Cape version of the famous German “Mosel” style.

VINEYARDS:

Vineyards are grown on south- east facing slopes in the Kogelberg Biosphere which is rich in plant diversity besides vineyards and the other site is on higher, western slopes close to the Groenlandberg spur section of the Hottentots Holland range that encircle the whole Elgin Valley.

Clonal type Riesling includes WR110 on Tukulu and Shale soils and are vertically shoot positioned on a double cordon-arm that are spur pruned.

WINEMAKING:

Clusters were handpicked at 19.8⁰ Balling into lug baskets and hand sorted on a sorting table. After pressing, the must was settled for two days and decanted off the solids where it was inoculated with a commercial yeast strain suited to this variety. The wine fermented cold (14⁰Celsius) for 26 days until it reached the residual sugar required for sweetness to balance the acidity. The final wine was fined and lightly filtered to bottle.

ANALYSIS:

Alcohol: 11.0% ; Acidity: 7.7g/l ; pH:3.02; Residual Sugar: 7.2/l ; Total Extract: 25.8g/l

RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRING:

Sushi. Most vegan and Asian styled fare

RECOMMENDED BOTTLE MATURATION:

Drink fresh and primary in the first year. Secondary characteristics underlying limes and flowers include a tinge of lamp oil which enhances the overall texture and typical character of the wine. Under optimal cellaring conditions, the wine will age comfortably for 10 years.

ACCREDITATION:

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Vegan but not registered

RELEASE DATE:

July 2021

QUANTITY BOTTLES:

6773 x 750ml

ACCOLADES:

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| 2017 Tim Atkin Cape Report: | 91 points (2016) |
| 2018 John Platter Wine Guide: | 4.5* (2016) |
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