

# 2018 GARDEN OF EARTHLY DELIGHTS RIESLING



Each year grapes for the GOED Riesling are sourced from the Merindoc vineyard located only 4kms from our own property in Tooborac. The single clone single vineyard site is surrounded by granite boulders and rolling hills.

All grapes were handpicked on the 6th March 2018 and this year 1/3rd was fermented in ceramic egg with the further 2/3rds in old French oak barrels.

## VINEYARD

Merindoc Vineyard, first vines planted in 1994, Riesling was planted in 1996

Town:	Tooborac	Aspect:	North to South
Region:	Heathcote	Soils:	Granitic, ironstone washed through with granite sand over yellow and black cracking clays.
Planted:	1996		
Area:	2Ha		
Clone:	Pewsey Vale	Altitude:	305m

## TASTING NOTES

A riesling of great texture, personality and drinkability. There is a great volume of pot pourri, citrus & slate in the bouquet, providing a pretty intro to each sip. The palate shows off a really fine, powdery-chalky feel that is in harmony with lemon pith and green apple. The fruit sweetness and powdery tannins drive the long finish.

Ageing: 7+ years

## WINE ANALYSIS

Alc/Vol: 12.4%    Acidity: 7.90    PH: 3.20

## VINTAGE CONDITIONS

2018 was a warm and dry start to the beginning of the year. There was limited rainfall in spring and summer, followed by warm summer days with cool nights where temperatures dropped to approximately 10 degrees.

As a result the grapes were given time to recover which allowed the fruit to 'retain freshness and slowly ripen with beautiful flavour development, intense minerality and refreshing acidity.

## WINEMAKING

**Fruit:** Chilled fruit, de-stemmed then de-stemmed fruit back into cool room on skins for 24hrs. Pressed off into 1/3rd ceramic egg, 2/3rds old French oak barrels with full solids.

**Fermentation:** 1/3rd ceramic egg, 2/3rds old French barrels.

**Maturation:** Aged in for 12 months in 50% new and 50% 1 year old 500L French oak.

**Yeast:** Wild yeast    **Fining:** None



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