WEST CAPE HOWE

MOUNT BARKER

WEST CAPE HOWE RIESLING 2012

The West Cape Howe Regional range of wines are from their Estate vineyards, made with minimal winemaking intervention to ensure best possible varietal flavour and regional expression.

VINTAGE: After a stellar vintage in 2011, expectations were high coming into 2012. Above average winter and spring rainfall allowed for strong vine development while a warm, dry summer promoted perfect yield with even ripening and a concentration of flavour.

WINEMAKING: This Riesling was sourced from Block 6 on the Langton vineyard in Mount Barker, which is fast becoming one of the premium Riesling regions in Australia. The fruit was crushed and pressed during the cool of the night with only the free run portion being used for this premium wine. The wine was fermented in 100% stainless steel tanks with a neutral yeast strain and cool temperatures which all enhances the aromatic quality of the wine. Post ferment, the different parcels from different sections of this block were blended to produce a classic example of a Mount Barker Riesling.

COLOUR: Almost transparent with a hint of green hue.

AROMA: Citrus and lime characters with a hint of sherbet.

PALATE: Zesty lime and citrus characters with well-balanced natural acidity. Refreshingly crisp with a tight structure and excellent length of flavour on the finish.

CELLAR POTENTIAL: Drink now for its freshness and clarity or cellar for up to 8 years.

FRUIT SOURCE: Mount Barker

FRUIT MATURITY: Picked at 11.3° Be

TECHNICAL INFORMATION:

pH: 2.94
TA: 8.10 g/L
Alcohol: 12.5%
Residual Sugar: 1.0 g/L