

EDEN HALL

Riesling

EDEN VALLEY 2015

Region:	Eden Valley
Harvested:	10 March 2015
Alcohol:	11.6%
pH:	3.03
Residual sugar:	4.35
Bottled:	4 May 2015
Total production:	11,515 bottles

The 2015 growing season started well with above average early winter rains that filled the soils and dams, however it was dry from then on. Temperatures were above average in spring allowing the vines to get away to a good healthy start. The dry weather meant that when the night time temperature dipped there were again late season frosts, but thankfully not damaging at Avon Brae.

Summer was generally mild with the exception of a few days of extreme heat after New Year that were associated with the outbreak of the Sampson Flat bushfires in the Adelaide Hills on 2 January. The damaging fires burned for 7 days in the Adelaide Hills and despite some anxious days, the fires were far enough away that they had no impact on the Eden Valley. Thirty millimetres of rain on 8 January helped quell the fires and refreshed the vines. Near perfect ripening conditions followed leading into an earlier than usual harvest.

The Grüner Veltliner was first to come off, handpicked by our extended family, Riesling and Viognier were next with it all picked by the second week of March. Shiraz and Cabernet ripened at the same time this year and were harvested around Easter. 2015 was a cracking vintage in pace, yield, and above all quality and is likely to surpass the 2002 vintage in greatness.

The 2015 Riesling was carefully blended from four different blocks within the Avon Brae Vineyard resulting in a wine so approachable, it borders on seduction! It is pale straw yellow in colour showing citrus blossom and lemon rind on the nose.

On the palate the wine is broad, but beautifully balanced, filling the mouth with lemon and ripe lime juice that lingers on and holds your attention. A worthy successor to the outstanding 2014 Riesling. Drinking beautifully now, but like its predecessors is built to last.



*Shiraz - Cabernet Sauvignon - Merlot
Cabernet Franc - Riesling - Viognier - Grüner Veltliner*

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