

EDEN HALL

Riesling

EDEN VALLEY 2012

Region:	Eden Valley
Harvested:	13 March 2012
Alcohol:	12.05%
pH:	2.95
Residual sugar:	3.65
Bottled:	23 May 2012
Total production:	13,677 bottles

The 2012 growing season followed a very wet period that included the previous summer and autumn of 2011. The winter was colder with below average rainfall, followed by a mild to warm spring that was also fairly dry. Summer was also unusually mild with below average temperatures and no extreme weather events.

Harvest began earlier in 2012 with Riesling yielding balanced moderate crops and healthy dappled light canopies perfect for producing outstanding Riesling. Indeed across the board for both red and white fruit the vintage was outstanding and will rival 2002 for greatness.

The 2012 Riesling is pale straw in colour with a hint of green and offers tropical fruit and lychees on the nose. There is generosity of fruit on the palate, with lemon and lingering fresh lime juice characters set against the minerality typical of the Eden Valley with perfect acid balance. This wine shows unusual power, but also great elegance and complexity. Beautiful drinking now, but also built to last. Perhaps the best Riesling to come from the Avon Brae vineyard, and only time will tell whether it will rival the 2004 as an aged Riesling.



*Shiraz - Cabernet Sauvignon - Cabernet Shiraz - Vignier
Riesling - Ratafia Riesling*

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