

GALAFREY WINES



2017 Dry Grown Reserve Riesling MOUNT BARKER WESTERN AUSTRALIA

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol 12% a/v, pH 3.05, Acidity 8.47/L,

SILVER MEDAL PERTH WINE SHOW

TASTING NOTES

The Reserve represents the 100% free run juice made from specially selected fruit to enhance the purest best quality wine. Intense lemon and lime, full palate of flavours, with a zesty long crisp acid finish. Marries well with smoked salmon or freshly caught whiting.

VINEYARD

Fruit sourced from our 38 year old 12 hectare Dry Grown Vineyard. Our old vines are not irrigated; something quite unusual in these days of mass commercial production. Having smaller fruit fosters an intensity of the flavour, with most of the colour and tannin of the grape being concentrated in or near the skin. The characteristically cool climate of the district ensures slow ripening of the grapes, which also allows for the development of rich flavour and quality grape juice. Grown on ancient gravely loams, our old vines are all cane pruned and yield 2 tonne per hectare. Galafrey harvest their grapes from mid-March to late April depending on the season.

VINTAGE COMMENTS

While a later than normal start to vintage, it was reminiscent of vintages 10 years ago. It has been so dry in previous years I think we all forgot what it was like to have a wet year! A solid vintage with later ripening than recent years. Low Baume with intense flavours shows promise for the whites and softness for the reds, with high quality fruit being produced. A hard but exciting vintage. Galafrey celebrates with their 40th Vintage this year.

WINEMAKING

Mechanically Harvested these dry, cool climate grapes of Mount Barker is famous for their Rieslings. The Galafrey 2015 Riesling is yet again a stellar performer, and is a reflection of this unique region. Exhibiting chalk, mineral, lime and passion fruit, this much maligned variety is a stand out, serious wine. We endeavour through meticulous viticulture and wine production sympathetic to the vintage conditions to produce a wine that will express varietal characters in tune with its sense of place.

100% free run juice to retain the purity that is Riesling makes our Reserve Rieslings while the pressings goes into our 2nd tiered Riesling. Winemaking is geared toward producing a wine that is well balanced, lively, well structured, has great cellaring potential and most importantly drinkable.