



CLARK ESTATE

Riesling 2018

This *Classic* Riesling style is a beautiful example of the Riesling grape.

Grown on a gentle south facing slope of the upper Awatere valley, the vines are less exposed and the fruit is left to ripen slowly to develop lovely aromatic flavours reminiscent of the classic Rieslings made around the world.

Our single-vineyard Classic Riesling is lively with wonderful aromatics and a mineral edge thanks to the chalky texture, showing how well the Upper Awatere soils can grow great Riesling.

Viticulture

The 2018 season started warm and dry but turned to finish cool, giving the vines time to ripen the fruit to perfect balance.

Crisp, flavoursome berries were harvested in the cool of the night to retain the refreshing acidity and finesse before heading to the winery.

Winemaking

The fruit was processed as quickly as possible to preserve the distinctive varietal flavours and fermented long and slow.

Once the right balance was achieved, the ferment was stopped and the wine was left on the yeast lees to help it develop a lovely structure and extra palate weight.

Wine Analysis

pH	3.16
TA	8.86 g/L
Alc	10.3%
RS	20 g/L



Tasting Notes

The 2018 *Classic* Riesling has a beautiful aroma of white blossom, citrus and cut apple. The palate is full and structured thanks to the chalky minerality. There is a sense of the flavours lingering for longer than expected making this Riesling immensely enjoyable and distinctive.