FELTON ROAD

Felton Road • Dry Riesling • 1999 • Bannockburn • Central Otago

Vintage & Vinification

Riesling from Block's 2 and 4 were hand harvested over a series of dates from late April through early May. All grapes were whole bunch pressed to minimise phenolic pick-up and retain flavour intensity. Careful winemaking with minimal processing has resulted in a crisp dry Riesling with ripe fruit flavours and long dry finish. Fermented with indigenous (or "wild") yeast producing more complex aromas and flavours and enhanced mouthfeel.

Bouquet

Delicate, complex spice, floral and ripe fruit aromas.

Palate

Concentrated fruit flavours with elegant palate structure. A unique expression of the rugged beauty of the Bannockburn "Terroir". Dry with pleasant crisp finish.

Cellaring

Drinking excellently now but will cellar well offering more complex aged Riesling characters over the next several years.

Serve

Fresh, fruity, delicate and elegant. Serve with lightly flavoured foods or delicious by itself.

Comments on the 1998 Dry Riesling

"I love the fine, lime, apple and mineral flavours in this very austere style. ...It has an exquisite vibrancy produced by fine acidity...Almost searingly dry now, I expect it to emerge, like a butterfly from a cocoon" – **Bob Campbell MW, Cuisine**

"It exhibits a stony, orange marmalade, lime, and citrus-scented nose, fresh, medium-bodied flavours, outstanding purity, undeniable elegance & personality, and a clean, fresh, tangy finish" – **Robert Parker, The Wine Advocate, U.S.A.**

Very, very smart Riesling indeed, it has the steely finesse of a cool climate classic" - Keith Stewart, The Listener