



Old Coach Road RIESLING 2007

Awards

Silver - San Francisco Wine Awards 2008
Pure Silver - Air New Zealand Wine Awards 2007
★★★ 1/2 Winestate Magazine March 2008

"Light fresh wine with emerging toasty bottle development adding extra interest to lime/citrus flavours. Moderately intense and with a lengthy finish. Very good value at the price."
- Bob Campbell (Master of Wine)



Wine Analysis

Vineyard:	Seifried Brightwater & Redwood Valley Vineyards
Sugar at Harvest:	22°Brix
Date of Harvest:	Brightwater - 26 April 2007 Redwood Valley - 21 April 2007
pH of Wine:	3.09
T.A of Wine:	8.3g/L

The Vineyard

The Brightwater Vineyard was planted with Riesling in 1999. These vines are grown in an extremely stony area of the vineyard, where water and nutrient levels are low. This helps to restrict the plants vigour and to crop at low levels. To further enhance the aromatics we removed leaves to allow light penetration and air movement around the fruiting zone.

The unirrigated Redwood Valley Vineyard is situated on a gently sloping, north facing clay site; the vines range in age from 8 to 25 years. Vertical shoot positioning helps to expose the berries to sunlight, thus getting maximum intensity and optimal ripeness.

Winemakers Note

The Old Coach Road Riesling is a blend of fruit from our older Redwood Valley Vineyard and Brightwater Vineyard. The two portions were harvested, pressed and cool fermented separately. The fermentation of the Redwood Valley portion was stopped prematurely by cooling, therefore leaving a little residual sweetness in the wine. This was then blended with the Brightwater portion (which was fermented to dryness), giving the wine a residual sugar of 15g/L.

Tasting Note

The 2007 Old Coach Road Riesling has up-front peach and talcum powder notes with subtle blossom spiciness. Clear, focussed acidity frames the palate and perfectly compliments the residual sweetness.