



Dandelion Vineyards

2022

'ENCHANTED GARDEN OF THE EDEN VALLEY'

Riesling | *Eden Valley - Australia*



VEGAN

Stats

Grapes: 100% Riesling
Vineyard: Woodman's Enchanted Garden Vineyard
Vine Age: 112-years-old & 20-years-old
Soil Type: Quartz riddled clay-loam
Viticulture: Conventional
Fermentation: Inoculated – stainless-steel
Aging: 4 months in stainless steel
Alcohol: 11.8%
Residual Sugar: 0.7 g/L
pH: 2.97
Total Acidity: 7.71 g/L
Total SO₂: 122 ppm
Total Production: 512 cases
UPC: 9342160000744

Reviews

VinePair | 94 points
Halliday Wine Companion | 95 points
Wine Enthusiast | 90 points

About

The "Enchanted Garden" was planted in 1910 and thrives to this day, a seven-acre Eden Valley Vine Garden lovingly tended by Sue and Stuart Woodman. Elena always knew this would be one of the most special vineyards in the Dandelion family and it was a relationship that Zar had with the Woodman's to make this happen. In 2022, the wine is made up of two blocks (50/50): one from the original planting in 1910 and one that is 20-years-old. The "La Niña" year in 2022 brought cooler, more mild temperatures, particularly at night, which helped to retain acidity since the respiration of acids occurs to a greater degree when temperatures are warmer. And the acidity is absolutely ripping on this vintage, but trust Elena's winemaking acumen; this wine remains entirely graceful.

Whole bunches were hand-picked in the second week of March then de-stemmed without crushing the fruit to fill our press exactly. Juice from the free run and pressings were separated then fermented in a small tank between 35°-55°F degrees Celcius. The wine has a high level of natural acidity at 7.6 g/L, a PH of 2.97, and although bone dry, only 11% alcohol. The wine was bottled directly from tank with a vegan fining, a sterile filtration, and a dose of sulfur.

Tasting Note

Straw colored; clear and bright. On the nose there is honeysuckle, sherbet, lemon and lime. A long, long line of taut acidity pulls the deep fruit flavors ever forward, finishing in a mouth-watering yet dry aftertaste.