

Stats

Grapes: 100% Riesling Vineyard: Woodman's Enchanted Garden Vineyard Vine Age: 109-years-old Soil Type: Quartz riddled clay-loam Viticulture: Practicing Organic Fermentation: Native – stainless-steel Skin Contact: None Aging: 10 months in stainless steel Alcohol: 11.5% Residual Sugar: 1.6 g/L pH: 2.93 Total Acidity: 7.3 g/L Total SO2: 80 ppm Total Production: 1,000 cases

Reviews

Halliday Wine Companion | 93 points Vinous | 90 points Dandelion Vineyards

2019

'ENCHANTED GARDEN OF THE EDEN VALLEY'

Riesling | Eden Valley - Australia



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.

Whole bunches were hand-picked the first week of March then de-stemmed without crushing the fruit to fill the press exactly. Juice from the free run and pressings were separated then fermented in small tanks at a cool temperature, between 35°-55°F for a long fermenation. The wine has a high level of natural acidity, 7.3 grams per liter, a pH of 2.97 and although bone dry, only 11% alcohol. The wine was bottled directly from tank without fining and with a very coarse filtration to capture the essence of the vineyard, a looking glass if you will, and is ready to drink immediately or cellar for decades.

Tasting Note

Green-tinged, pale gold in color. The nose is perfumed with lime and green tones, talcum and minerals, citrus zest and lemon meringue, then lemon juice and rock salts. The palate showcases an unmissable core of intense, ripe citrus fruit with a spine of crunchy mineral notes that speak very much of Eden Valley. The finish is persistent and quite angular with plenty of acidity to maintain decades of freshness. This is a wine that will unfold gracefully over many years.

