



## Worlds Apart

2023

# 'IN THE FLOWERS'

Riesling | Eden Valley - Australia



NATURAL



ORGANIC



VEGAN

### Stats

**Grapes:** 100% Riesling  
**Vineyard:** Pendee Farm (Springton)  
**Vine Age:** 55-years-old  
**Soil Type:** Clay-loam with quartz-riddled gravel  
**Viticulture:** Practicing organic  
**Fermentation:** Native – neutral 228-500L French barriques (100% whole-bunch pressed)  
**Skin Contact:** None  
**Aging:** 3 months in neutral 228-500L French barriques  
**Alcohol:** 12.5%  
**Residual Sugar:** 8 g/L  
**pH:** 2.9  
**Total Acidity:** 8.4 g/L  
**Total SO<sub>2</sub>:** 98 ppm  
**Total Production:** 358 cases

### Reviews

James Suckling | 91 points

Wine Enthusiast | 93 points

### About

While Eden Valley may not carry the same weight, both figuratively and literally, as Clare Valley...it certainly can and should. Pewsey Vale, Leo Buring, Dandelion Vineyards and others have paved the way for the citrus-tinged, mineral-driven style that Eden is synonymous with. Enter 'the flowers.' Louis drew upon the quartz-dominant soils and cool-climate of the Eden but wanted to express a bit more weight and texture to the wine, à la Clare or old world styles. The result is a textural masterpiece of chalky, leesy, barrel-fermented, half-century old vine Riesling. The '23 vintage shows a bright intensity like the previous vintage, despite having ever so slightly less residual sugar and acidity.

The fruit was hand-harvested from the Wardlaw's Pendee Farm at the gateway to the Eden Valley and whole-bunch pressed with full lees to old 228L and 500L French oak barriques for fermentation. Fermentation kicked off naturally and Louis stirred the lees over the course of two to three weeks. The wine sat on the lees for three months of aging; it did not see any sulfur addition at this point. After aging, the barrels were racked to tank to settle naturally and bottled without fining and just a gentle sheet filtration and small sulfur addition.

### Tasting Note

Green-tinged straw in color. This vintage shows vibrant floral character on the nose, with some dried herbs and an intense palate of grapefruit and wisps of lemon, lime and white pepper.