



HOWARD PARK
WINES OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA

2011 HOWARD PARK RIESLING MUSEUM RELEASE

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The Riesling is one of two wines Howard Park has been making since we began in 1986. Since then it has grown to become one of the most collected Rieslings in Australia. This museum release is the same as the original 2011 Howard Park Riesling release. We appreciate that it is often difficult to store & drink aged wines so each year we have held a portion of this wine in our warehouse in ideal conditions to demonstrate the complexity that this variety offers over time.

VINTAGE

A warm and dry spring followed by a summer punctuated with perfectly timed rain events, was otherwise low in humidity. The autumn harvest period was dry and protracted with vintage conditions best described as on the warm side of perfect.

Our white wines show an abundant and bold array of varietal expressions which are layered and pure.

2011 has delivered Riesling with ripe fruit flavours and linear acidity.

TECHNICAL NOTES

The fruit upon arrival at the winery was immediately processed to ensure the highest quality juice. Only free run juice, which is tighter and more finely structured as it has no phenolic character, is used for this wine.

The highest quality batches earmarked for our top Rieslings showed intense aromatics, fine elegant fruit and great length. These select batches were cool fermented in stainless steel tanks to maintain the delicate fruit flavours.

Extensive, some say excessive, blending trials were carried out to produce a wine that is very elegant but still very powerful.

TASTING NOTES

Pale straw in colour this wine exhibits citrus blossom, honey, and lime zest aromas. The beginnings of some aged characters are also emerging with hints of marmalade on toast and complex fusel notes. The palate remains fresh and lively with citrus, green apple and pear flavours, slatey minerality, chalky texture, and a taught acid backbone ensuring a bewitching persistence of flavour. Tasted Dec 2015.

CELLARING

Whilst drinking fantastically well now, the 2011 Howard Park Riesling will continue to mature and develop further complexing secondary characters for another 15-20 years under screwcap.



Variety:

100% RIESLING

Region:

MOUNT BARKER
PORONGURUP

Technical Data:

ALCOHOL: 12.0%V/V

PH: 3.04

ACIDITY: 7.7 G/LT

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.9 G/LT

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