



HUNTER'S WINES

MARLBOROUGH

Jane Hunter

HUNTER'S 2014 MARLBOROUGH RIESLING

Winemaker Notes

A youthful wine exhibiting fresh lime, citrus and green apple characteristics with hints of tropical fruits. It's invigorating acidity supports the lively and crisp structure of the wine presenting floral notes and a strikingly long finish on the palate. Like its predecessors this wine will reward cellaring for the next 4 to 6 years.

Technical Details

Harvest Date	March & April 2014
Alcohol	13%
Total Acidity	7.5 g/l
Residual Sugar	2.4 g/l
Bottling Date	3 September 2014

Vintage Conditions

The 2014 vintage was the warmest vintage of the last twenty years. The great weather to start the vintage allowed excellent bud burst and fruit set. Intense flavours across all varieties arrived early in the season. Cropping levels were the talk of the vintage. The vineyard team recognised early that larger crop levels were looming and were able to manage the crop to acceptable level. Rain threatened late during harvest but great planning meant all fruit was safely in the winery before the rain arrived.

Vinification

Our vinification is aimed at retaining the maximum possible fruit aromas and flavours as seen in the vineyard. To do this we use minimal handling and protective anaerobic techniques.

Grapes were machine harvested from three different vineyards in the cool early hours of the morning to retain their fruit characters. The fruit was destemmed, crushed and gently pressed. The resultant juice was filtered before we fermented at low temperatures with a neutral yeast.

After fermentation the wines were filtered and blended prior to bottling to retain fruitiness and freshness.

Awards

5 STARS & 93/100 - Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, March 2015

"This is a fabulous dry example; the delicately fragrant bouquet shows white stone fruit, lemon peel, red apple and floral characters, leading to a taut and linear palate that offers fine texture and excellent fruit concentration. The wine is focused and brilliantly structured, while exhibiting plenty of delightful flavours."

GOLD - Marlborough Wine Show 2014

GOLD - New Zealand International Wine Show 2015

SILVER - International Aromatic Wine Competition 2014

4 STARS - Winestate, July/August 2015, Republished in the Winestate Annual 2016

"Fleshy, dry style (2 grams/litre residual sugar) but not at all austere, with citrusy, slightly spicy flavours, lively but not high acidity, and lots of drink-young appeal."

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Awards continued

4 STARS - Raymond Chan, raymondchanwinereviews.co.nz, March 2015

"Very pale straw-colour with slight green hues, very pale on rim. The nose is refined and initially shy in expression showing pure lime and lemon fruit aromas along with white florals and mineral clarity. This is all subtlety and finesse. Dry to taste and medium-bodied, the palate features a tight core of focussed lime and lemon fruit flavours. Subtle white floral detail is present, along with mouthwatering mineral notes. The wine is fresh, bright and lively with lacy acidity lending excellent tension and energy, and providing linearity for the fine textures to follow and carry to a refined, delicately nuanced finish. This is a tightly bound, refined, pure and dry Riesling with mouthwatering linearity. Serve as an aperitif, and with seafood over the next 4-5+ years."

RECOMMENDED – Yvonne Lorkin, Canvas Magazine, NZ Herald, 'Our favourite Marlborough Wines', 19 June 2015

"It's easy to become a riesling recruit without sending your wallet sideways. You'll find yourself ticking boxes all over the show. Green apple, check. Lime, check. Lemon verbena, check. Raindrops on hot rocks, check. Long, lean, stylish and elegant, if there were such a thing as riesling royalty in Marlborough, the Hunter's household would be the full polo team. Sniff, sip, savour."

BRONZE - Spiegelau International Wine Competition 2015

PURE BRONZE - Air New Zealand Wine Awards 2014

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