



# HUNTER'S WINES

MARLBOROUGH

Jane Hunter

## RIESLING 2016

*Invigorating and lively with a striking finish.*

### TASTING NOTES

Our 2016 Riesling is a youthful off-dry wine exhibiting fresh lime, citrus and green apple characteristics with hints of tropical fruits. Its invigorating acidity supports the lively 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 2016
Alcohol	12%
Total Acidity	7.6 g/l
Residual Sugar	6.72 g/l
Bottling Date	July 2016

### VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Spring was dry to start the growing season and late frosts in early December threaten but didn't impact and fruit set was great. Some rain during the growing season in January provided plenty of nutrients and juicy weight to the fruit. A hot and dry summer delivered a harvest as smooth as can be with continuous fruit supply keeping the winery busy. Overall we received slightly above average yields with optimum quality fruit.

### VINIFICATION

Our vinification is aimed at retaining the maximum possible fruit aromas and flavours as seen in the vineyard. To do this we use protective anaerobic techniques with minimal handling. 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 neutral yeast. After fermentation the wines were filtered and blended prior to bottling to retain fruitiness and freshness.

### ACCOLADES

**ROSE BOWL TROPHY** - Royal Easter Wine Show Awards, Feb 2017

Rose Bowl Trophy for Riesling – 2016, 2010 and 2006.

**GOLD** - International Cool Climate Wine Show 2017

**92 POINTS** - Bob Campbell MW, bobcampbell.nz, Oct 2016

*"Pure and appealing riesling in a medium-dry style with lime, citrus, floral and subtle chalky mineral flavours. The wine has an ethereal texture and pleasing acidity and sweetness tension."*

**92 POINTS** - Cameron Douglas, camerondouglasm.blogspot.co.nz, Oct 2016

*"Attractive perfumed bouquet of Riesling with a mix of citrus and stone fruit aromas, ripe and concentrated, white rose and other floral attributes. On the palate - crisp and dry with loads of fresh and refreshing acidity, a hint of spice then tree and citrus fruit flavours, finally a wet stone mineral layer adding charm and depth. Great balance. An aperitif style with just a whisper of sweetness."*

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## ACCOLADES CONTINUED

### 5 STARS & 93 POINTS – Sam Kim, Wine Orbit, Apr 2017

*"The wine shows excellent precision and focus, together with fine texture and varietal purity, wonderfully enhanced by attractive lime cordial, lemon peel, apple and floral notes. It is vibrant and refreshing, backed by whispering sweetness, which is perfectly balanced by mouth-watering acidity, finishing persistent and crisp."*

### 5 STARS & 18.5/20 – Raymond Chan, Raymond Chan Wine Reviews, Apr 2017

*"Bright, light straw-yellow colour with slight green hues, very pale edged. The nose is softly concentrated with deep aromas of lime fruit and fragrant white florals entwined with notes of jasmine, talc and sherbet, unveiling subtle mineral elements. Dry to taste and medium-bodied, the palate has soft, mouthfilling flavours of lime fruit and exotic florals along with subtle notes of talc, sherbet and minerals. The flavours grow in depth and concentration as it flows smoothly on a very fine-textured line. The acidity is fresh and integrated, and the wine carries to a vibrant, juicy, mouthwatering, sustained finish. This is a softly concentrated dry Riesling with lime and exotic florals on a very fine-featured palate."*

### 4.5 STARS & BEST BUY - Your Weekend Magazine (Fairfax), 22 Apr 2017

*"Hunter's experience with Riesling is clearly evident in this dry style, made from fruit taken from a trio of Marlborough vineyards. This is a riesling to enjoy with seared scallops."*

### 4.5 STARS & BEST BUY – Cuisine Magazine, Issue 181, Mar 2017

*"Hunter's experience with Riesling is clearly evident in this dry style, made from fruit taken from a trio of Wairau Valley vineyards. There is surfeit of loveliness to the fruit, with honeysuckle, mango, lime and sherbet notes all noted. The acidity is spot on - it freshens and lifts without drawing attention to itself. A riesling to enjoy with seared scallops."*

### 4.5 STARS & 92 POINTS – Huon Hooke, HuonHooke.com, Dec 2016

*"Passionfruit tropical nuances overlying fragrant 'powder puff' aromas, the wine is juicy and well-endowed with fruit, and there's just a tickle of sweetness helping to balance a suggestion of acid hardness. Very good and has potential."*

### 4 STARS & 92 POINTS – Bob Campbell MW, BobCampbell.nz, Oct 2016

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### 4 STARS & 91 POINTS – Bob Campbell MW, BobCampbell.nz, Jun 2017

*"Off-dry riesling with a tease of initial sweetness that's balanced by tangy acidity to give a drying finish and some pleasing tension. Lime, citrus, floral and a suggestion of fresh herbs. A pretty wine offering good value at this price."*

### 4 STARS - Michael Cooper, Michael Cooper's Buyers Guide 2017

*"This wine is consistently good and bargain-priced. The youthful 2016 vintage is an off-dry style (7 grams/litre of residual sugar), pale lemon/green, with good intensity of lively, citrusy, slightly spicy flavours, tightly structured and tangy."*

### 4 STARS - Michael Cooper, Winestate Magazine, Mar/Apr 2017

*"Still very youthful, this is a tightly structured, dryish wine, estate-grown at Rapaura. Lively and tangy, it has citrusy, slightly spicy flavours, showing good intensity, and obvious potential; best drinking 2018+."*

### 4 STARS – New Zealand Listener, Jun 10-16 2017

*"This wine is consistently impressive. An off-dry style, it is medium-bodied (12% alc/vol), with good intensity of lively, citrusy, slightly spicy flavours, youthful and tangy."*

### 3 STARS - Winestate Magazine, August 2016

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**RECOMMENDED** – Yvonne Lorkin, Dish Magazine, Issue 72, Jun-Jul 2017

*"I'd be so heading down the Riesling track with this sticky rice dish. Try the Hunter's Marlborough Riesling 2016 because it's so incredibly clean, fresh and limey. Snappy citrus and crushed shell notes, crunchy green apple and hints of honeysuckle will make any flavour combo rock."*

**GOLD** – International Cool Climate Wine Show 2017, May 2017

**SILVER** - New Zealand International Wine Show 2016, Oct 2016

**BRONZE** - Marlborough Wine Show 2016, Oct 2016

