

2008 KILIKANOON MORT'S BLOCK RIESLING

Review Summary



93 pts - Best of the Best by Variety “Pale straw-green; the clean bouquet leads into a highly focused palate with a core of lime citrus fruit and almost juicy acidity on the finish.”

James Halliday's Australian Wine Companion
2010

92 pts “Kevin Mitchell at Kilikanoon captures Clare in this traditional, limey riesling. Its citrus flavors extend with air, as they will with time in the bottle. While relatively light in body, it's compelling, the lime pith and lemongrass notes persisting along with lovely florals.”

Wine and Spirits Magazine
October 2009

91 pts “A delicious, complex Riesling from one of the New World's best locations for growing the grape, this is light- to medium bodied, with more substance than one might estimate at first blush, as the energetic acidity makes it seem initially more lean and linear than it seems on closer inspection. It shows lovely citrus fruit with backnotes of green apples and white peaches, along with a notable mineral edge and lots of fresh acidity that is well integrated. Flashy and fun, but complex too, this seems destined for serious improvement for another five years if you can keep your hands off of it.”

Michael Franz, Wine Review Online
July 21, 2009

90 pts “Bright straw color. Lively lime and grapefruit aromas are complemented by talc, honeysuckle and mint. Zesty, tightly wound citrus and orchard fruit flavors pick up anise and smoky mineral notes with air. Very fresh riesling with excellent finishing cut and lingering minerality.”

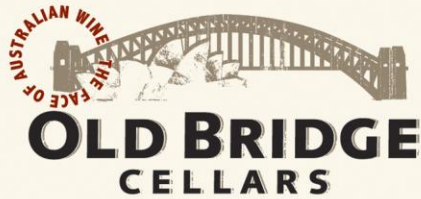
Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer's International Wine Cellar
July/August 2009

90 pts “Dry and crisp, with tightly packed, tobacco-scented green apple, pineapple and gooseberry flavors, lingering effortlessly.”

Harvey Steiman, Wine Spectator
November 30, 2009

90 pts

Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate
February 2009, Issue 181



89 pts “Bright and lively, with elements of struck flint and lime on the nose, followed by flavors of peach, apple and lime. This medium-bodied Riesling is already starting to soften on the finish, showing the effects of the warm year. “

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast
September 2010

BLUE GOLD MEDAL

Sydney International Wine Competition 2009
Kilikanoon – Most Successful Winery

TWO ½ STARS “The Watervale region of Clare Valley is where proprietor-winemaker Kevin Mitchell sourced this fruit from 40-year-old vines. This dry wine has sweet floral, herb, green apple and citrus aromas, with a palate of firm mineral, guava, pineapple and citrus pith. Clean and layered with a persistent finish.”

San Francisco Chronicle January 2009

“Our favorite of the tasting, this medium-bodied riesling from Australia's Clare Valley has generous citrus and peach flavors with a distinctive mineral note and fresh acidity. We loved it.”

Tom Marquardt and Patrick Darr, The Capital Hometown Annapolis
July 2, 2009