









2014 KILIKANOON MORT'S BLOCK RIESLING

WINEMAKER: Kevin Mitchell

REGION: Clare Valley, South Australia

VARIETALS: Riesling

FERMENTATION: Stainless Steel

ANALYSIS: 12.5% alc/vol | .16% RS

VITICULTURE:

The Clare Valley remains boutique in stature and philosophy, despite having developed an envied reputation for producing mineral-driven, age-worthy Rieslings that compete effortlessly on the world stage. Watervale (a Clare Valley sub-region) soils are typified by fertile red brown loams overlying limestone sub layers; soil profiles that lend themselves to growing Riesling of exceptional distinction and character. All fruit was hand harvested during late February, typically yielding around the two to three tons per acre.

TASTING NOTES:

Brilliant in clarity, pale straw in color with youthful green tints. An almost overwhelming tide of floral perfumes, fresh limes and lemon essence evoking the senses. The palate shows a tight core of bracing acidity, fresh flavors of lemons and lime juice combining in an expressive palate experience. A wine drinking beautifully in its youth, the core of natural acidity will also provide terrific balance, great palate length and satisfaction for the next 25+ years with proper cellaring.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM:

94 pts James Halliday's Australian Wine Companion, 90 pts Robert Parker's The Wine Advocate, 90 pts Vinous, 89 pts Wine Spectator

ABOUT KILIKANOON:

Founded in 1997 by Kevin Mitchell, Kilikanoon is a boutique Clare Valley winery with an international reputation for producing regionally expressive, terroir-driven wines. The Kilikanoon property, featuring a circa 1860s stone cottage housing Kilikanoon tasting room, was originally settled by early English migrants who named it after an historic old mansion in Cornwall. On purchasing the property in the 1990s, Kevin Mitchell inherited 30 year old Shiraz, Cabernet, Grenache and Riesling vineyards, many of which were planted by his father, Mort, in the 1960s. Fifteen years on, with the addition of partners Nathan Waks, a principal cellist with the Sydney Symphony, and Bruce Baudinet, Managing Director of Oracle Estates, Kilikanoon is rated by US and Australian critics as one of the Clare Valley's outstanding wineries, producing bracingly intense and long-lived Rieslings, along with powerful, yet balanced, Shiraz, Grenache and Cabernet Sauvignon.





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