



2011 PLANTAGENET RIESLING

Review Summary



94 pts “Vivid, pale green-straw; classic Mount Barker Riesling, with a spine of steely acidity around which the wine is built, the flavors of lime and lemon; its long-term development is as much a certainty as Black Caviar.”

James Halliday
Australian Wine Companion 2013

91 pts “Tony Smith planted his first Riesling vines for Plantagenet in 1971 and the brand has since built a track record for Rieslings that develop for decades in bottle. These are completely different wines from the limey Rieslings of Clare; instead of citrus, their flavors inhabit an apple and pear realm. This 2011 has a youthful floral note of grape skin and persistent acidity balanced by a touch of fruit sweetness. It’s an earthy wine with a long life ahead.”

Joshua Greene, Wine & Spirits Magazine
October 2012

90 pts “This impressive offering is crystal-clean and direct, with green apple, lime and petrichor notes that typify Riesling. It’s medium bodied and fully dry, with a long, lime-riddled finish. Drink it over the next decade or so.”

Joe Czerwinski, Wine Enthusiast
September 2013

90 pts “The 2011 Mt Barker Riesling offers vibrant lime juice and green apple notes with nuances of steel and honeyed lemon. Dry and light-bodied in the mouth, it gives mouthwatering citrus and mineral flavors and a long finish. It should drink best 2013 to 2019+.”

Lisa Perotti-Brown, eRobertParker.com #202
August, 2012



90 pts “Green-tinged straw. Fresh lime and quince aromas show very good clarity and lift. Round and open-knit for this wine, offering sappy citrus and orchard fruit flavors and a touch of white flowers. Finishes tangy and long, with refreshing bitterness and florality.”

Josh Reynolds, Stephen Tanzer’s International Wine Cellar
July/August 2012

89 pts “Fresh and tight, squeezing out its lemon, grapefruit and spice flavors, lingering easily.”

Harvey Steiman, WineSpectator.com
2012

Wine of the Week “This Riesling, made entirely in stainless steel, is about as pure and intense as they come. The color is pale straw-gold; the penetrating bouquet delivers scintillating lime peel, grapefruit pith and limestone elements over notes of yellow plum and roasted lemon that open to hints of lemon balm, jasmine and lychee. It’s one taut, lean and lovely Riesling that deftly balances its liveness, flinty character and crystalline acidity with subtly spicy stone-fruit and citrus flavors and an appealing soft, dusty texture, creating an intriguing sense of tension and abundant liveliness on the palate.”

Fredric Koepfel, BiggerThanYourHead.net
April 22, 2013

100 Best Australian Wines “There is something almost masochistic about the rapier-sharp lime zest flavors in this searingly dry WA Riesling. Some may find it a little too austere for their tastes whereas others will rejoice in its incredibly tangy, mouth-watering finish. Watch out for a fleeting glimpse of lemon meringue pie on the mid-palate and help yourself to the juiciest tiger prawns with chili and lemongrass you can find.”

Matthew Jukes, 100 Best Australian Wines 2012
May 11, 2012