



2014 KILIKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN RIESLING

WINEMAKER:	Kevin Mitchell
REGION:	Clare Valley, South Australia
VARIETALS:	Riesling
FERMENTATION:	Stainless Steel
ANALYSIS:	12.5% alc/vol 2.3% RS

VINTAGE NOTES:

The 2014 vintage was a rollercoaster from start to finish. A period of extreme heat struck in early January placing many vineyards under stress before a quenching rain event occurred bringing over 100mm to most parts of the Clare Valley. Weather patterns shifted to a much more autumnal theme, with cool nights and warm days slowing the ripening process down and allowing the harvest to commence in a very calm and orderly way, before heavy rain again occurred in early March. Thankfully, most Killerman's Run parcels were picked by this time and so the overall result being Rieslings of great structure and balance with high natural acidities and fruit freshness.

TASTING NOTES:

Brilliant in clarity, pale straw in color with youthful green tints. Full blown aromas of limes, citrus rind and lemon curd flood the nose. The palate is crisp and lively with mouth-filling flavors of fresh lime juice, lemons, orange blossom and hints of stone fruit. Racy acidity is perfectly balanced with a touch of retained grape sugar. The core of natural acidity will provide terrific balance, great palate length and satisfaction for the next 12-15 years with proper cellaring.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 92 pts/*Editors' Choice* Wine Enthusiast, 91 pts/*Best Buy* Wine & Spirits, 90 pts *The Wine Advocate*, 90 pts *Vinous*, 90 pts *Australian Wine Companion*

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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