

innocent bystander



2016 INNOCENT BYSTANDER MOSCATO

WINEMAKER : Steve Flamsteed & Phil Sexton
REGION : Swan Hill, Victoria
VARIETALS : Muscat Gordo (80%), Black Muscat (20%)
FERMENTATION : Stainless steel
ANALYSIS : 5.5% alc/vol | pH: 3.0

VINIFICATION :

Night time harvest, fruit is chilled and crushed with six hours skin contact in the press to extract a hint of pink from the Black Muscat. Naturally fermented at 53°F. Chilled to stop the ferment at just 5.5% alcohol. Chill filtered and then immediately bottled at 32°F, to retain freshness and effervescence. The natural carbonation is achieved by fermentation!

TASTING NOTES :

Intense, primary aromas of cotton candy and blackcurrant with musk, Turkish delight and mandarin peel in the background. Rich in flavor yet refined by cleansing natural acidity. The spritzy dissolved carbon dioxide also leaves a refreshed palate. Pair with fresh summer berries and clotted cream, crepes with orange zest and lemon syrup or gorgonzola cheese and fresh pears.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM :

88 pts Wine Spectator, 88 pts Wine Enthusiast

ABOUT INNOCENT BYSTANDER :

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