

2020 KILIKANOON KILLERMAN'S RUN RIESLING



WINEMAKER: Peter Warr
REGION: Clare Valley, South Australia
VARIETALS: Riesling
MATURATION: Stainless Steel
ANALYSIS: 12.5% alc/vol

BACKGROUND: Named after a legendary Clare Valley squatter, Killerman, who planted and tended vines on a paddock adjoining the Kilikanoon property and as legend has it, made his own wines in a galvanised iron lean-to.

WINEMAKING NOTES: Fermented at cool temperatures for 3 weeks with an aromatic yeast strain. The ferment was arrested prior to complete dryness to give a hint of additional texture and roundness nicely balanced by naturally retained, crisp acidity. Made in a classic Clare Valley regional style primarily from carefully selected vineyards in the Watervale sub region.

TASTING NOTES: The nose is intensely focused with an abundance of orange blossom, fresh lime and tropical fruit. The palate displays a classic Clare Valley Riesling, brimming with bright citrus notes, lemon curd and crisp green apple, accompanied by slate-like minerality and refreshing natural acidity.

CRITICAL ACCLAIM: 90 pts Wine Spectator, 89 pts Robert Parker Wine Advocate, 89 pts Wine Enthusiast

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's tasting room, was originally settled by early English migrants who named it after an historic old mansion in Cornwall. On purchase of the historic property in 1997, mature vineyards of Shiraz, Cabernet, Grenache and Riesling that had been planted by Kevin's father, Mort in the 1960s, became a part of Kilikanoon, and now form the heart of the estate vineyards. Peter Warr joined the winery in late 2018 after traveling the world honing his craft and is now responsible for carrying on Mort and Kevin's legacy at this treasured Clare Valley estate. 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.

