

# RIESLING, PAUL CLUVER

Vintage

2024



An ever evolving style from Paul Cluver, bringing newer and vibrant variations of the classic grape variety

# TASTING NOTE

The wine is pale in colour, with an alluring green tint. The 2024 vintage shows opulent fruit aromas and vivid expressions on the palate due to the warmer weather Elgin experienced in January. However, the wine accurately displays typical Riesling varietal character, with notes of honeysuckle, winter-melon, orange blossom and lime zest. Structurally the wine exudes typical Riesling tension with perfect balance between sweetness and acidity. A mineral core linked to the shale rich soils adds great complexity and a lingering finish

# VINTAGE CONDITIONS

After a cold winter in 2023 with above average rainfall, Elgin experienced superb growing conditions leading to the 2024 harvest. There is a big diurnal difference due to the altitude, so the nights were cool and days moderate during Spring and early Summer allowing for the development of diverse flavours and natural high acidity. The Riesling grapes were harvested from the 24th Feb unill the 13th March, with an average of 21.2 ° Brix.

# VINIFICATION DETAILS

In addition to vineyard sorting, a second stage of bunch and berry sorting occurs at the cellar to eliminate all traces of rot and sub-standard berries. After the grapes are pressed and the juice settled into oak foudre and stainless steel, the juice is fermented using selected yeast cultures. Grapes from different blocks on the estate are fermented separately and 35% of the wine is fermented in large 2500L oval oak vats. Fermentation is stopped on a portion of the wine, which is blended back later to give the wine its natural sweetness. The rest of the wine is fermented dry and left on the fine lees which helps add complexity to the wine. The wine is blended and stabilized in preparation for bottling.

AWARDS

#### Tim Atkin MW: 92 pts

# PAUL CLÜVER

# TECHNICAL ANALYSIS

Alcohol	Residual sugar
12.0	17.5
рН	Acidity
2.96	8.6

# **ATTRIBUTES**













Andries Burger Screw top Elgin Yes