



Duffers Creek Riesling 2012

A 10-million year old lake bed provides the mineral-rich 'pipe clay' soil on which the Riesling vines thrive. Exposed by 19th century gold miners working in the valleys around Bannockburn, the unique soil combines with the micro-climate to provide perfect grape growing conditions.

The wine takes its name from a small creek tucked away in the Bannockburn hills which flows down into the valley. An old stone cottage surrounded by towering poplars gives a glimpse of life as it was lived in gold-fever times. Nowadays, the cottage has been renovated and has provided the backdrop to many happy family camping holidays.

The Wine

The grapes were hand harvested in April 2012, and whole bunch pressed before being inoculated with selected wine yeasts and undergoing fermentation in stainless steel tanks. The ferment was stopped to retain 19g/l residual sugar.

Off-dry in style, this Duffers Creek Riesling is a citrus-lovers delight, displaying aromas of mandarin, honey, and apricot on the nose, while tempting the palate with flavours of sweet ripe stonefruit and honeyed citrus. The wine is medium bodied, with the sweetness on the mid-palate balanced with a fresh vibrant acidity on the finish.

Variety	100% Riesling
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
pH	3.01
TA	8.3g/L
Residual Sugar	19g/L
Alcohol	11%

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