



The Water Race - Dry Riesling 2013

Located in an historic gold mining area, Domain Road Vineyard has planted its Riesling vines atop the remnants of a 10-million year old lake bed. While working the area, 19th century gold miners exposed the mineral-rich 'pipe clay' which adds distinction to our Water Race Dry Riesling.

In order to transport water around the gold fields networks of water races were dug by hand using picks and shovels. Following the contours of the hills these water races still provide irrigation to this dry area to support farming, orchards and vineyards.

The Wine

Hand harvested on 27th April 2013 the fruit was whole bunch pressed and the juice inoculated with selected wine yeasts to undergo fermentation in a stainless steel tank. The fermentation was stopped to retain a touch of residual sugar.

Pale straw in colour, the Water Race is a deliciously dry, steely Riesling. Lemon and lime on the nose with hints of orange blossom and white peach. Zesty citrus flavours dominate on the palate, leading to a long lingering finish. The lime-like fruit combines thirst-quenching acidity and fruit lushness beautifully.

An excellent food wine, full of flavour, so it can hold its own against quite strong flavoured cuisine. Also excellent with fish and seafood.

Variety	100% Riesling
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
pH	2.88
TA	8.53g/L
Harvested at	April 2013
Residual Sugar	7g/L
Alcohol	13%

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