



DOMAIN ROAD *vineyard*

Duffers Creek Riesling 2016

A 10-million year old lake bed provides the mineral-rich 'pipe clay' soil on which the Riesling vines thrive. Exposed by the 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 Crosbie family camping holidays.

The Wine

Hand harvested between March 31st and 7th April 2016. The fruit was de-stemmed and crushed before pressing and undergoing fermentation in a stainless steel fermenter. The fermentation was stopped to retain around 20g/L residual sugar.

Pale straw in colour our Duffers Creek Riesling provides aromas of apricot, lemon, lime, mandarin and nectarine on the nose. Mandarin, lemon, white peach apricot and a touch of pink grapefruit show on the palate. An off-dry style wine with balanced acidity and a lingering crisp clean finish.

A softer, more mellow and richer wine than our dry Riesling it provides an interesting contrast in styles.

Food match: Thai Green Curry

Variety	100% Riesling
Appellation	Central Otago
Sub Region	Bannockburn
Vineyards	Domain Road & Defiance
pH	2.86
TA	8.81g/L
Harvested	March / April 2016
Residual Sugar	20.5g/L
Alcohol	10.5%

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