



The KERRIGAN + BERRY wines have been in the making for decades. Made by Michael Kerrigan and Gavin Berry these wines represent the pinnacle of two careers spent crafting wine from some of the most respected vineyards of Western Australia.

The KERRIGAN + BERRY wines are made from the highest quality grapes selected from the finest vineyards; our interpretation of the best of Western Australia.

KERRIGAN + BERRY RIESLING 2020

The Kerrigan + Berry Riesling is made from the historic Langton Vineyard, Mount Baker in Western Australia's Great Southern.

2020 VINTAGE - Great Southern Region

The 2020 vintage was the big bash- fast and furious. While there were several challenges during the harvest period the outcome has been extraordinarily positive.

Climatically it was a very warm, dry and early season in both the Margaret River and Great Southern regions. Minimal spring rains meant irrigation was used early to promote canopies and influenced the bunch size and promoted early flowering. Temperatures remained well above average through November, December and January but no rain fell. Mount Barker had slightly cooler days and night-time temperatures which helped to retain the freshness and aromatic zestiness in the whites. The vines were phenologically 10-14 days ahead of average but clean and looking good as the whites headed towards veraison.

A magnificent Marri blossom held on during the ripening of the white grapes and while we still netted the fruit pressure from the birds was minimal. An extreme heat spike occurred just as harvest commenced with 4 days in succession breaking 37C. Harvest commenced on the 31st of January about 12 days earlier than average, the earliest we had ever commenced. The constant warmth extended late into the day and gave fruit with rich flavours and softer natural acids.

TASTING NOTES

The KERRIGAN + BERRY Riesling is a pale straw colour with lively, steely green tinges. The nose is a perfumed blend of limes, lemons and more tropical passionfruit.

The initial impression on the palate is that of seamless structure, fine vibrant acids and lingering citrus flavours. The use of free-run juice only has given the wine "fineness", balancing the fragile varietal flavours of Riesling.

There is a complex array of flavours in the mouth, dominated by lemons, limes and grapefruit. These are supported by hints of spice and mineral on the mid-palate and green apple on the impressively long finish.

CELLARING

The refreshing lemons and limes make this wine very appealing in its first year or so. However it may take up to ten years before this fine steely structure transforms into the toasty, rich, complex wine that is an aged Riesling.

TECHNICAL

Alcohol 11.5.0% Variety: Riesling 100%

Growing Region: Mount Barker, Great Southern, Western Australia.



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