



*Freya was the foremost goddess of ancient Germanic lands where the Riesling grape originated. This wine honours early German settlers who cultivated the first Riesling vine in the exemplary micro-climate of the Barossa's Eden Valley.*

## **2018 FREYA Eden Valley Riesling**

### **Wine Description**

Perfumed lemon-blossom, lime and lavender aromas are supported by fleshy mid-palate flavours and Eden Valley crunchy acidity. A delicious wine, approachable upon release this wine will also mature very well for many years to come.

### **Vintage 2018**

With average yields and a mild to warm summer lead up, ensured a perfect mid-March Riesling harvest. Eden Valley enjoyed fine, dry conditions with warm days and cool evenings throughout the ripening and harvest period. These climatic conditions ensured a balanced ripening, perfect for flavour development and for retention of high natural acidity.

### **Viticulture**

There are three Eden Valley Riesling Vineyards that contribute to the 2018 Freya blend. Two are situated within the cooler sections of Eden Valley and have east-west row orientations. While the third is located in the much cooler, higher altitude High-Eden sub-region. The vineyards are all hand-harvested in the cool of the morning and then chilled to a further 6°C before being gently pressed.

### **Winemaking**

100% whole-bunch and berry pressed with only the finest pressings retained. The juice was settled cold and racked clear to begin fermentation. Fermented cool at 12-14C for 3 weeks before finishing sugar-dry. To promote palate texture the wine was held on yeast lees for a further 3 months before being bottled.

### **Vineyard | Region | Yield**

Eden Valley – Craneford sub-region, 44 year-old vines; 2.3 t/acre

Eden Valley – Central sub-region, 40 year-old vines; 2.5 t/acre

Eden Valley – High Eden sub region, 20 year-old vines; 1.9 t/acre

### **Harvest Date**

Craneford Vineyard – 11<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2018

Central Vineyard – 12<sup>th</sup> to 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018

High Eden Vineyard – 8<sup>th</sup> March 2018

### **Wine Details**

Alcohol: 12.5%

pH: 2.95

Total Acidity: 7.1 g/L

Riesling 100%

Residual Sugar: 2.5 g/L

Production: 1800 dozen

### **Cellaring Potential**

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