

Heggies

Heggies Vineyard Riesling 2002

The Heggies Vineyard was purchased in 1971 by Wyndham Hill Smith from his great friend, Colin Heggie. The label portrays Colin astride his horse Jack at sunset, surveying the first plantings in the fledgling vineyard.

Heggies is a single vineyard in the Eden Valley where the 'terroir' is encouraged to produce the distinctive Heggies wine styles. The soil is a thin layer of grey sandy loam over clay and decomposed rock - and vines compete vigorously for moisture and nutrient. An altitude of 550 m above sea level, 787 mm of annual rain, plus innovative viticultural practises produce wines of full flavour and balance.



WINEMAKING / VITICULTURE

Early spring rain and low temperatures during the ripening season of the 2002 vintage allowed the fruit to ripen slowly resulting in full flavoured grapes with exceptional balance. Reductive handling, minimal maceration and cool fermentation with aromatic yeast strains has preserved the fruit flavours found naturally in the Heggies Vineyard Riesling.

Heggies Vineyard Riesling 2002 is pale straw in colour, with green tints and shows a complex nose of lime and citrus blossom. The palate is full of excellent fruit that is balanced with crisp acidity, ensuring the wine will cellar for many years to come.

WINEMAKERS COMMENTS

'Heggies Vineyard is tremendously challenging, an exciting opportunity for any Winemaker. When working with a grape variety like Riesling, we try to capture the flavour and balance of the grapes in their purest essence. The 2002 Heggies Riesling sees the introduction of the Stelvin closure to ensure the wine's fresh varietal characters remain, as intended, throughout its long life'..Peter Gambetta, Heggies Vineyard Winemaker.

PRESS REVIEWS / AWARDS

Reviews of previous 2001 vintage..

4 1/2 stars - 'the palate has a delicate lightly spicy flavour that's very long, fragrant and fine, finishing clean and zesty'.
Uncorked, July 16th 2002

5 stars - 'classically stylish, bracingly tangy and very long on the palate, it's a most impressive youngster'..
The Age 'Simply the best', November 2000

VINTAGE INFORMATION

Vintage	2002
Region	Eden Valley, South Australia, South Australia
Winemaker	Peter Gambetta
Harvested	6-19 April 2002
Alc/Vol	12.5%
Total Acid	7.3 g/L
pH	3.04
Residual Sugar	1.6 g/L

