



VILLA MARIA
NEW ZEALAND

Cellar Selection

Riesling

MARLBOROUGH 2018

Awards & Accolades

Gold - Marlborough Wine Show 2019

Gold - NZ Wine of the Year Awards 2019

Winemakers Comment

Riesling grapes are well suited to the Marlborough climate due to cooler autumn temperatures and cold nights intensifying acidity and fruit flavours. This 2018 Cellar Selection Dry Riesling has pure aromas of lime zest, grapefruit and fresh spring blossoms. On the palate, a sherbet-like zingy acidity leads to flavours of mandarin, lemon and white peach and a hint of minerality giving the wine length and freshness.

Serving Suggestions

The perfect aperitif wine, or serve with fresh shellfish dishes.

Vineyard & Winemaking

The climate in Marlborough has high sunshine hours but temperatures during the growing season are regulated by the cooling ocean influence. The 2018 growing season started with an excellent spring and a strong flowering period which was followed by a long spell of hot weather with regular rainfall events through the summer months. With ample soil moisture, our harvest started earlier than the previous two vintages, luckily the cooler autumn weather helped retain natural acidities as the season progressed.

Bishell Vineyard: 35%

Fletcher Vineyard: 33%

Ensor Vineyard: 29%

Technical Details

REGION: Wairau Valley, Marlborough

VARIETIES: 100% Marlborough Riesling

ALCOHOL: 12.0%

pH: 2.98

TOTAL ACIDITY: 8.3g/L

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 8.4g/L

