

Neudorf Riesling - Moutere 2006

"Wine doesn't come much purer than this Neudorf Moutere Riesling 06. Intense but delicate." Wine of the Week Sunday Star Times

"This delicious wine with honeyed lime aromas is made in a fine textured spaetlese style with vibrant acidity. Great afternoon sipping and a classic New Zealand Riesling." North and South - Stephen Bennett MW

A total Riesling experience, demonstrating the balance that allows a wine to be both voluptuous and refreshing in the same glass.

Pale green gold colour with a nose that reminds us of fresh apricots and the waxy tropical notes of gardenias. On the palate the layers of intense citrus fruit build around a pleasurable acidity with some fine gravelly phenolics. Lemon tart hiding in there somewhere, with a coupe of lime sorbet on the side.

Grapes were hand harvested from Home Vineyard vines. The fruit was allowed an element of Botrytis infection to add flavour complexity.

"Very tangy and youthful with 36 grams residual sugar which you struggle to find. Jancis Robinson .com

Technical Notes

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The fruit was hand harvested on 6/4/06. The analysis at harvest was 20.2 Brix, 3.00pH and 8.7gL TA. The long hang time allowed excellent flavour development and intensity.

The grapes were whole bunch pressed on a very long, gentle cremant cycle. The juice was cold settled with enzyme and racked off lees to a small stainless steel fermenter. A long, cool fermentation took place before the wine was stopped when a natural acid/sweetness balance was found. The wine was stabilised for heat and cold, filtered and bottled.

Analysis at Bottling 2.80pH, 8.2gL Total Acidity, 36 gL Residual Sugar, 9.5% v/v alcohol.