

LONG FLAT DESTINATIONS

Clare Valley

2007

RIESLING

Australia built its international reputation on regional specialties such as Coonawarra Cabernet, Barossa Shiraz and Clare Riesling. Long Flat Destinations offers the opportunity to guide your palate through the best that Australia has to offer.

Viticulture

The Clare Valley is the northern most grape growing region in South Australia, with the first vineyards planted in the 1840's. The soils and therefore the styles vary by sub-region. The climate however is consistent with the combination of warm days and cool nights contributing to a long, slow ripening period. This is the perfect climate to fully ripen Riesling while maintaining the aromatic nature of the grape and its natural acidity.

Winemaking

The art of making good Riesling is to capture the lovely lime and lemon like aromas of the variety. These grapes were picked in the cool of night to maintain fruit freshness, the grapes were then gently pressed and cold settled. The ferment was long and cold to ensure that the Riesling fruit characters were fully captured. The bouquet has the typical regional lime juice character. The palate has lovely structure and length with a crisp, fresh finish. Enjoyable now but will continue to develop under the screwcap closure for the next five years.

Suggested Food

This wine is a delight with grilled turkey salad with a warm pomegranate and lime dressing or rabbit goujons with roasted garlic mayonnaise.

Technical Analysis

Alcohol: 13.0%

Total Acidity: 7.0 g/l

pH: 3.07

Residual Sugar: 5.0 g/l

