

WASHINGTON

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2019 LATE HARVEST RIESLING

WASHINGTON STATE

TASTING NOTE

Bright and bursting notes of lime zest and mineral essence on the nose, while wonderful crispness compliments the creamy texture surrounded by sweet Key Lime flavors. The upfront acidity gives way to the lingering finish with hints of nectarine.

VINTAGE BACKGROUND

The 2019 vintage in Washington state proved to be a cooler and wetter year than the last several vintages. Still, a rainy September and brief cold snap in mid-October didn't keep this harvest from showing brighter and very balanced wines. Wines are presenting with phenolic ripeness without the higher sugars shown in the last few vintages. Aromatic white wines, like this Riesling, are true-to-variety and wonderfully aromatic with more floral aromas than they have shown in years. Washington was on a warming trend since 2012, until 2019 came along to serve as a reminder that Mother Nature is in full control and will keep the viticulture teams expecting the unexpected.

VINEYARDS

Grieb Vineyards

Known for its many and varied microclimates (cool, warm, windy, hilly, flat), Columbia Valley is the umbrella AVA under which many of the state's sub-AVAs fall. While it contains 99% of wine grapes grown in Washington state, 6,851 of its acres are unique to the Columbia Valley and don't overlap another sub-AVA in the state.



WINEMAKING

HARVESTED: Oct 24–Nov 26, 2019

BLEND: 100% Riesling

PH: 3.11 | TA: 7.21 g/L | ALC: 9.64%

No animal-based fining agents used.