

# THE NOBLE WRINKLED

## Riesling 2018

Adelaide Hills, Riesling (100%)



### The Name

Grapes affected with Botrytis are small and wrinkly, inspiring the name of this wine, which was originally released in 1985 as The Noble Riesling.

### The Vintage

Quite a wet winter with July, August and September being way above average in rainfall. October, November and December were a little below average and January, February and March were more or less bone dry. Temperatures were mild until late January, so vines seemed to be delayed and harvest appeared like it was again going to be late. However, a few hot days and nights brought the ripening forward with slight sacrifice of acidity. The above average temperatures of February and March and the dryness made everything ripen relatively quickly. Yields appeared on the lighter side, because the heat and dry conditions did reduce them significantly, however they were still quite respectable across all varieties.

### The Winemaking

Botrytis Cinerea, affectionately known as Noble Rot, weakens grape skins causing water to evaporate which results in sweet, concentrated flavours. These shrivelled berries are basket pressed before a long fermentation, resulting in a luscious wine with intense richness and viscosity.

### The Characteristics

It's a rich, luscious nose, with toasty honey and candied lemon aromas. The palate is fresh and zingy, with intense limoncello and pan-fried ginger flavours. It's gluttonous yet refreshing. More please!



Alcohol	10.0%	Residual sugar	191.1 g/L
Titrateable acid	9.4	pH	3.13
Chief Winemaker	Chester Osborn	Senior Winemaker	Jack Walton