



The Yard

Channybearup, Riversdale, Justin, Acaciawithin each of these vineyards is The Yard: the place where we break ground in single vineyard

The magic of wine is its ability to express provenance. This is why, for us, making wine means growing grapes.

It's much harder to improve the vineyard than it is to employ a change in winemaking technique. From the big things like travelling the world in the hunt for grape clones which we believe would be well suited to our vineyard sites, to the little things like dropping the height of the cane from 1.2m to 400mm, every step counts.

We don't use herbicides. We employ fish and seaweed application. We make our own compost to support the whole vineyard biology. It's not just about better water retention, but about healthy soils with good microbial activity. It's a whole ecosystem thinking to make healthier, disease-resistant vines. Continuous within The Yard is our work to translate and transmit terroir.

The wines made here offer a first look into the future of the Cherubino tier range.

2022 Riversdale Riesling

THE VINTAGE:

As succussion of very good seasons for Frankland River; 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021 and now 2022. Riesling, Shiraz and Cabernet begin the easier varieties, all performed exceptionally with very good flavour, acidity and freshness, however there are not many varieties that did not perform at their peak this harvest. A mild wet winter followed by dry and warm conditions leading up to harvest resulted with a season which had a long but gentle finish. Fruit harvested was in near perfect condition and will result in some very long lived wines.

THE WINEMAKING:

Hand-harvested and whole bunch pressed. Only the free-run portion of the juice was used for this wine. Only natural yeasts were utilised and the wine was bottled immediately after cool fermentation to ensure the vibrancy and freshness of the wine was captured.

THE WINE:

A light, straw-green wine with a purity to the bouquet. Layers of lime leaf and crystallised citrus notes. A present thread of lime and mineral, carry through to the finish.

Riversdale Vineyard Year Planted 1998

Frankland River, WA Location

Vines per Hectare 1600 Irrigation Yes Clone/s Unknown Rootstock Own Aspect Northern Soils Lateritic

Frankland River, WA Origin Riesling Variety Picking date February 2022 Sugar at picking 12.1°Baume 12.6% 2.90 $7.61\,{\rm g/L}$ $1~\mathrm{g/L}$

Alcohol Total acidity Residual sugar **Bottled** August 2022 **Cellaring Potential** 15 years

N/A Vegan N/A Vegetarian Organic N/A Biodynamic N/A Allergens Low Sulphites