



# 2017 Big Fine Girl Riesling

## Clare Valley

### The Story

When you spend as much time looking at vines and vineyards as I do, you start to see the personality and individuality of different grape varieties and to me, some vines look like girls while others are more masculine looking. Riesling vines are definitely girls. They're elegant and fine, they're bright and pretty. And, the fruit they produce, makes impossibly big and fine wines that burst with aroma and flavour yet manage to maintain an elegance, poise and complexity unlike any other grape variety.

### The Wine

2017 really was a great year for Riesling and this wine's right up there with my 2002 which makes it as good a season for this lovely variety as I can remember. The aroma is uncommonly savoury - much like I remember the '02. And it's fresh and very, very pretty. There's heaps of fruit there too but more brambly, blackberry type aromas with a big burst of grapefruit. The wine is fine yet very textured and rich with beautifully balanced acidity and length. It's the generosity and palate weight that really make this a standout and again reminiscent of the 2002. Drinking superbly now but with the texture this wine has, this is one to put away for a while.

Ben Jeanneret - Winemaker

Blend: 100% Riesling	Pre-harvest diurnal range: 11.6°C	Fermentation: 14-21 days	Harvest Dates: 7/3/2017 15-17/3/2017 30-31/3/2017 3-6/4/2017
Vineyard locations: Sevenhill Auburn Stanley Flat Watervale	Growing season rainfall: 1012mm	Fermentation temperature: 15.9°C	pH: 3.19
Alc/vol: 12.5%	Elevation: 380-510m	Time on lees: 250 days	



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