

SVA Riesling

It's always a joy for us to see how well Australia's small producers are handling riesling. The fragrance of riesling is easy to lose through oxidation, and excessive phenolic firmness can greatly diminish the delights of a classic racy riesling palate. The high-scoring wines of this tasting are faultless and right up there with Australia's best.



2021 Sons of Eden Freya Riesling This is a pristine varietal wine that shows the classic floral/lime aromas of Eden Valley. It's a dry style that's crammed with flavour and built on a long acid line. Delightful drinking now, but will cellar. (\$25.00) ★★★★★
<https://sonsofeden.com/wine/2021-freya-eden-valley-riesling/>

2020 Quiet Mutiny Charlotte's Elusion Tasmania Riesling Winemaker Greer Carland has given us much to enthuse about with her pinot noirs, but she's obviously a dab hand with riesling as well. This 2020 is particularly floral, and the long, delicate, acid-fresh palate typifies cool-grown riesling. (\$38.00) ★★★★★
<https://quietmutiny.wine/products/charlottes-elusion-2020-riesling>



2018 Pokolbin Estate Hunter Valley Riesling Long-time readers will remember how we shone the spotlight on the unique Pokolbin Estate riesling years ago. Well, it's still as good as ever, as this three year old example shows. The limey varietal character stands out, and the intense, lively palate is very satisfying. A hint of toastiness adds complexity to this very fresh wine. (\$32.00) ★★★★★☆
<https://www.pokolbinestate.com.au/product/2018-riesling/>

2010 Forbes & Forbes Cellar Matured Eden Valley Riesling This wine has shown well for us before, and it keeps on keeping on. Toast and honey complexity enhances the delightful mature citrus nose, and the palate is packed with varietal flavour which shows no sign of fading. (\$32.00) ★★★★★☆
<https://www.forbeswine.com.au/our-wines/>

2021 Robert Stein Half Dry Mudgee Riesling The floral/lime aromatics are very attractive as is the interplay between fruit, acid and (slight) sweetness. This wine just needs a little time to settle down in bottle, and then it will really shine. (\$50.00) ★★★★★
<https://www.robertstein.com.au/wine/2018-half-dry-riesling>

2021 Eden Hall Springton Riesling Racy acidity backs up intense fruit in this floral/lime riesling. The varietal aroma is comparatively forward, suggesting this wine should be drinking well when it's released soon. (Not yet available) ★★★★★
<https://edenhall.com.au/>

2021 Shaw Wines Winemakers Selection Canberra District Riesling A classic Canberra district style showing lemony notes and finishing with mouth-watering acidity. Intense fruit completes the picture. Give it a couple of years in bottle. (\$30.00) ★★★★★
<https://shawwines.com.au/product/2021-shaw-wines-riesling/>

2021 Eden Hall Reserve Riesling ★★★★★

2020 Gomersal Premium Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Mount Majura Vineyard Riesling ★★★★★

2011 Forbes & Forbes Cellar Matured Riesling ★★★★★

2019 Place in Time Sevenhill Riesling ★★★★★

2016 Robert Stein Riesling ★★★★★

2019 Robert Stein Dry Riesling ★★★★★

2017 Robert Stein Reserve Riesling ★★★★★

2021 The Vintner's Daughter Estate Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Naked Run The First Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Shaw Wines Estate Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Capital Wines The Whip Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Gilberts Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Robert Stein Reserve Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Sapling Yard Braidwood Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Riposte The Scimitar Clare Valley Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Stage Door Wine Co Riesling ★★★★★

2015 Bream Creek Vineyard Cellar Release Riesling ★★★★★

2020 Freycinet Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Robert Stein Dry Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Sapling Yard Lake George Riesling ★★★★★

2021 DogRock Degraives Road Riesling ★★★★★

2021 The Vintner's Daughter Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Gilberts JMG Riesling ★★★★★

2021 Eden Road Canberra Riesling ★★★★★

Here's the riesling honour roll of the trophy winners going all the way back to the first Winewise Small Vigneron Awards in 1990.

2020 Gilbert Wines Mount Barker Riesling
2018 Riposte Wines The Scimitar Riesling
2010 Forbes & Forbes Eden Valley Riesling
2017 Four Winds Vineyard Riesling
2016 Freycinet Tasmania Riesling
2015 The Vintner's Daughter Riesling
2014 Gilberts Mt Barker Riesling
2013 Dolan Family Rifleman's Riesling
2011 Gilberts Mt Barker Riesling
2010 Pooley Margaret Pooley Tribute Riesling
2010 Moppity Vineyards Lock & Key Riesling
2009 Robert Stein Mudgee Riesling
2007 Bundaleer Eden Valley Riesling
2005 Helm Premium Riesling
2005 Delatite Riesling
2004 Barwite Riesling
2003 Longview Iron Knob Riesling
2002 Abbey Creek Riesling
2001 Crawford River Riesling
2000 Framingham Marlborough Dry Riesling
1999 Crawford River Riesling
1998 Stefano Lubiana Riesling
1997 Ashton Hills Riesling
1996 Crawford River Riesling
1995 Grosset Watervale Riesling
1994 Lark Hill Riesling
1993 Winchelsea Estate Riesling
1991 Ashton Hills Riesling
1991 Delacolline Estate Rhine Riesling
1990 Helm Rhine Riesling
1989 Glenara Adelaide Hills Rhine Riesling

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