



RIPTIDE - RIESLING - 2018

Waitaki Valley

<i>Sub-Regions :</i>	Waitaki Valley
<i>Vintage details:</i>	2016
<i>Grape Variety:</i>	Riesling
<i>Vine density average:</i>	3000 vines/ha
<i>Soils:</i>	Limestone Mix of clay and gravels
<i>Harvest:</i>	hand-harvest
<i>Press:</i>	Press Whole Bunch, no destemming
<i>Racking:</i>	no racking, "Full Solids"
<i>Average time in fermenter:</i>	30 days
<i>Partial Ageing:</i>	4 months in French new barrel Ageing on total lees in the barrel Ageing on fine lees in the Tank
<i>Cooperage:</i>	Atelier Centre France
<i>Finished wine details:</i>	Residual Sugars: 1.6 g/L pH: 3,02 TA: 9,2 Alcohol: 13%

2018 Vintage details:

The growing season in 2018 was the warmest recorded since 1990. Flowering and fruit set was good. The spring was windy, and some vineyard had wind breaks. In February, after a dry and hot summer a couple rainfalls kept the season on track. March and April were ideal for ripening grapes. The quality of fruit picked was excellent.