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AROMATICO
GEWÜRZTRAMINER RIESLING SAUVIGNON
ADELAIDE HILLS 2023

"A white blend inspired by the wines of Northern Italy but suited to the spicy foods my household craves. Try with Miang Kham." - SCP

Vineyard: Peramangk country: Gewurztraminer - Protero Vineyard, Gumeracha. Riesling – Kenton Creek Vineyard, Gumeracha. Sauvignon – Blefarri Vineyard, Carey Gully.

Growing Season: The third year of the current LaNina cycle was cool and wet, leading to the most challenging growing season in living memory. High winter rainfall continued through spring, delaying budburst and shoot growth. Unusual soil moisture made spraying and mid row management a challenge. Thankfully, a dry, mild summer followed, but the die was cast, and harvest was one of the latest on record. Low crops with long hang times are not common, however these contradictory conditions did result in elegance and great flavour. A year that relied on attention to detail in vineyard to make great wine.

Harvest: Gewurztraminer 23rd March, Riesling 4th April, Sauvignon 14th April

Blend: 72% Gewurztraminer / 25% Riesling / 3% Sauvignon

Process: The Gewurztraminer was settled as juice and held in tank. The Riesling arrived, was gently pressed and blended with the Gewurztraminer, and again held in tank until the Sauvignon arrived. Fermentation finally began on the 1st of May and lasted 8 weeks, leaving 2g/L residual sugar. Racked once with no adjustments necessary.

Bottled: Filtration at bottling on the 13th of July 2023.

ALC: 13.5%   **Ph: 3.49**   **TA: 5.1**

Aroma – Wise | Exotic | Delightful. A drier version of our favourite wine to drink with spicy food. Lychee, ginger flower, pink musk, rose oil, and lemongrass– a cloud of exotic perfume hypnotises the senses yet again.

Flavour – Ambrosia | Engaging | Uplifting. Cypriot delight, rose water and almond croissant, held together by a lime juice spine before a nervy finish that is grassy, long, and deeply refreshing.

Texture – Less Aphrodite, more Athena.

Cellar – Too hard to wait; drink it all now.

Varieties suited to the landscape, the region and this place, Protero