## QUAILS' GATE Okanagan Valley



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## CLONE 49

2023 Riesling, Okanagan Valley BC VQA

Our Distinction Collection offers enthusiasts handcrafted, experimental wines that fine-tune combinations of varieties, clones, rootstocks and winemaking techniques. Like the pattern of a quail's egg of which no two are alike, each batch of wine is unique and bottled in small lots.

Our Clone 49 Riesling reflects an emerging South Kelowna microclimate that elegantly showcases this Alsatian clone. The cool, quartz-laced vineyard site features ancient alluvial melt, sandy loam and a gentle western aspect. This Riesling is especially floral when compared to German clones that are mostly developed from Geisenheim. With crop management for the high-end Riesling, we can produce wines with rounder concentration, racy acidity and beautiful flinty, floral and fruity aromatics.

VINEYARD | Fipke Vineyard

EAST KELOWNA

BLOCKS | F1B1; 2; 4

6.2 ACRES

PLANTED | 2008

WINEMAKING

TASTING

PAIRING

15 YEARS OLD

Hand-harvested in late September, this 100% Riesling was whole-cluster pressed, cold-settled overnight, then fermented in 60% stainless steel and 40% neutral French oak. Fermentation was carefully arrested at the optimal sweetness level, allowing the wine's vibrant acidity to shine through. The barrel fermented portion underwent battonage to build texture and layered complexity, then was aged on the lees for 4 months before blending and bottling.

ALCOHOL: 12.5%

pH: 2.94

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 7.5 g/L

ACIDITY: 9.2 g/L

This small-lot Riesling reveals a beautiful bouquet of Granny Smith apple and honeyed aromatics, unfolding onto the palate. The long finish builds gradually fuelled by a fresh stone minerality and a racy acidity throughout. This vintage embodies a multi-nuanced core with enough balance and depth to impress any connoisseur.

This wine is the perfect pairing for coconut rice and curry chicken or alongside mashed yam and pork tenderloin.

