

2023 Billy Button “The Torment” Riesling

Christened “The Torment” for its inaugural vintage when Jo broke her own rule- sourcing Billy Button grapes exclusively from the Alpine Valleys.

Riesling is Jo’s favourite white variety and very little is grown or available in the region. When some pristine fruit was offered by a grower in the King Valley Jo could not say no and the deal was done! The Croucher Vineyard is at an elevation of 800 metres in the picturesque Whitlands subregion of the King Valley and produces impeccable cool climate fruit.

Vintage Snapshot

A cool season has produced a powerful wine with wonderful natural acidity and pristine varietal characters.

Production Notes

The fruit was handpicked and chilled before being crushed, destemmed, and pressed. Once cold settled the juice was racked clean and inoculated with selected yeast to capture varietal character. After a cool and slow ferment, the wine was sulphured and left on lees in stainless steel until clarification and bottling in July 2023.

Tasting Notes

Lifted aromas of lemon and lime with notes of wet slate. The concentrated lime continues through to a palate that is pristine and tight. Mouth-watering acidity and remarkable length lend itself to a wine that is only going to get better with age. A true reflection of this remarkable cool vineyard.

Optimal Drinking Window – now (if you are a fan of mouth-watering acid and pristine fruit) to 2043.

Technical details

Vineyard:	Croucher Vineyard, Whitlands
Region:	Whitlands, King Valley
Alcohol:	11.0%
Volume made:	300 dozen
RRP:	\$30
Winemaker:	Glenn James, Melissa Fettke and Jo Marsh

