



ST ANDREWS

NAMED AFTER THE HISTORIC PROPERTY FIRST ESTABLISHED IN 1892.
A TRUE REFLECTION OF THE TERROIR, ST ANDREWS WINES EXEMPLIFY THE VERY BEST
OF HANDCRAFTED CLARE VALLEY WINEMAKING.

RIESLING 2009

REGION

Clare Valley

VINTAGE CONDITIONS

Vintage 2009 was near on perfect in the Clare Valley. It was characterized by optimal growing conditions and soil moisture levels near full capacity due to the welcome winter rains. Mild weather continued during December and January, gradually warming to the point where we experienced a severe heat-wave. Thankfully the vines had not yet begun veraison, so in the heat, they simply shut down for a few days. Strong canopies protected the fruit and mature leaves withstood the high temperatures. Fortunately, when the heat subsided the region experienced perfect ripening weather with mild days and cool nights. The wines from vintage 2009 are exceptionally well balanced; showing rich, varietal fruit flavours.

COLOUR

At release, the wine is a very pale straw colour with a slight green tinge to the edge.

NOSE

This is a tight, restrained yet quite potent Riesling with zesty lime and the smell of fresh citrus. Faint hints of tropical fruit are evident. At release, the aroma is still quite closed like a tightly knitted ball however I feel it will open graciously.

PALATE

The palate is quite powerful and rich which bodes well for its future, although again, at release it is still tight and restrained yet with a substantial presence across the palate. Superior examples of Clare Riesling often have a generous mid palate and this does which is backed up by a persistent and steely finish.

CELLARING NOTES

Crafted for immediate enjoyment but will cellar over a long term under ideal conditions.

TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol	12.6%	Acid	7.22g/litre
		Residual Sugar	0.91g/litre

