

GILBERT CELLARS

FINE WINES CRAFTED IN YAKIMA, WASHINGTON



Columbia Valley / Estate Riesling Two Thousand & Thirteen

BLEND: 100% RIESLING

WINEMAKER: JUSTIN NEUFELD

PRODUCTION: 318 CASES

AGEING: 3 MONTHS IN STAINLESS STEEL TANK

ALCOHOL – 13.2% || **TA** – 8.3 G/L || **PH** – 3.25 || **GLUCOSE/FRUCTOSE** – 7.5 G/L

BOTTLING: FEBRUARY 13, 2014

RELEASE: APRIL 2014 (TENTATIVE)

VINEYARD: SUNRISE VINEYARD

ELEVATION: 1400'

SOIL: Volcanic silty loam, with some basalt deposits 24-36" deep over a hard duripan caliche layer. Underneath this layer is solid basalt deposited by lava flows from the ancient volcanos of the Goat Rocks, including Gilbert Peak.

TASTING NOTES: The Riesling from the easternmost section of our Estate Sunrise Vineyard is one of our most terroir-driven wines. Rising from a rocky, south-facing slope of 1500 feet, the fruit from the vines benefits from long, sunny summer days, and cool breezy nights. Ripe honeycrisp apple, basil, and mineral on the nose with a lively dose of natural acidity is balanced with a hint of residual sugar on the palate. An outstanding partner to rich spring cheeses or a wide variety of Asian curries.

VINIFICATION: Fruit for this blend was harvested on October 24th, 2013. The harvest analysis was the following: 22.1o Brix, 3.18 pH and a TA of 8.5 g/L. The fruit was destemmed and pressed. The juice was transferred to tank and cold settled for two days at which time it was racked off the gross lees and warmed. The juice was inoculated on October 20th with W-15 wine yeast. After 4½ weeks of cold fermenting the acid and sugar came into balance. Sulfites were added and the wine was chilled to stop the primary fermentation. The wine was heat/cold stabilized and sterile filtered prior to being bottled on February 13th, 2014.

BACK LABEL: The rugged summit of Gilbert Peak is as mighty as our commitment to the agricultural lands of Washington State. Five generations of family farming in the Yakima Valley have inspired us to share the unique wines that are born of this place. It is here, among wine, music and friends, that our community takes shape—nourished by the glacial waters of the Tieton River, outlined by rows of vineyards, and fed by spirited gatherings that celebrate the bounty of this beautiful landscape. Join us. This dry Riesling, sourced from our Sunrise Vineyard on the Hackett Ranch, will leap from your glass. Residual sugar .75% by weight.