

TERRA  
VALENTINE  
2013 ESTATE RIESLING  
SPRING MOUNTAIN DISTRICT



**Vintage:**

“Early, even and excellent” are three words being used to describe this year’s growing season and the Napa Valley wine grapes that have come from it, reflecting the consistent quality for which this world famous wine region is known.

A warm, dry spring brought early bud break, helped with canopy vigor and berry size and created ideal conditions for flowering and fruit set under sunny skies. With the exception of one heat spike in late June/early July, temperatures were consistently in the zone for optimal vine activity, resulting in notably healthy vines as fruit went through veraison and started ripening. The cooler, sunny weather throughout October allowed the final grapes still on the vine to linger longer, developing more phenolic and flavor maturities with sugar levels remaining steady.

**Vineyard:**

We source all the fruit for our Estate Riesling on at the Yverdon Vineyard at an elevation of almost 2,000 feet. Two separate German clones were planted on two-acres in 2006, in six separate blocks. The vines are grown in the coolest microclimates, which receive very little afternoon sun, protecting the acidity of this noble grape.

**Tasting:**

The 2013 Riesling opens with marmalade, honey and orange spice. Kumquat, Asian Pear and crème brûlée round out the floral aromatics. Round and viscous on the front palate with lemon curd and bright tropical fruit notes, this dry crisp wine finishes long with soft acidity.

**Composition:**

100% Riesling

**Barrel Regime:**

Neutral 500L French oak

**Harvest Dates:**

Sept. 5 - Sept. 25

**Bottling:**

796 cases

Bottled on March 10, 2014

**Vinification:**

Pressed into small stainless steel tanks and neutral 60 gallon barrels  
Aged surlie for 5 months in neutral French Oak Puncheons.

**Retail:**

\$36.00 - 750ml

**Ageing:** 2014 - 2019