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# 2022 RIESLING

## BACCHUS VINEYARD, WHITE BLUFFS

#### VARIFTAL COMPOSITION

100% Bacchus Vineyard Riesling, White Bluffs

#### VINEYARD

Bacchus Vineyard was first planted in 1972, aptly named after the Roman god of wine. Located on the east side of the Columbia River, 15 miles north of the Tri-Cities, Bacchus has a commanding view to the west overlooking the mighty Columbia River and the Rattlesnake Mountains. In 2021, this area was designated as a new sub-appellation of the Columbia Valley named White Bluffs. The sloping land's elevation ranges from 550-900 feet, and soft rolling knolls keep Bacchus warm (not hot, not cool) with excellent air drainage. No wonder this unique place produces a cadre of beautiful fruit. The AVA encompasses two plateaus that rise above the surrounding plains of the Pasco Basin an average of 200 feet. The added elevation protects the vines from the cold air on the valley floor and extends the growing season. Nearly one out of every 10 Washington wineries source fruit from the AVA.

### VINTAGE NOTES

The growing season of 2022 was a unique vintage for Washington. With cooler temperatures and an exceedingly wet spring, we started the growing season off with a three-week delay. Come summer, we had our usual temperatures but the month of October brought us a real surprise with spikes in warmer temperatures, which allowed the fruit to ripen without any frost pressure. We finished harvesting in October.

#### WINEMAKER'S NOTES

The Riesling grapes are gently whole cluster pressed, which allows for free run and soft pressed juice to be separated within a 4-hour time frame. The juice is chilled and decanted before inoculation with a Riesling specific yeast strain. Fermentation is arrested to allow for some residual sweetness to balance the crisp acidity. Aromatics and flavors of juicy pear and stone fruit with hints of citrus lead to a lively off-dry finish.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

AGING: 100% Stainless Steel

pH: 3.14
TA: 7.3 g/L
ALCOHOL: 11 %
RESIDUAL SUGAR: 18.2 g/L

BOTTLING DATE: January 27, 2023

PRODUCTION: 248 Cases