



2018 Poet's Leap Riesling
Columbia Valley

Inspired by the great wines of Germany and winemaker Armin Diel, proprietor of the renowned Schlossgut Diel.

Tasting Notes: Expressive aromatics of white flowers, ripe pear and peach are laced with a delightful hint of wet stone minerality. Lively and pure on the palate, with fresh citrus, honey and mouthwatering apricot flavors. A delicious natural acidity and trace of residual sugar provide a balanced, vibrant mouth feel and long, satisfying finish.

Vintage: After a slow start to spring, the 2018 growing season quickly became very warm with hot weather persisting throughout the summer before moderating significantly in early September. Harvest conditions were ideal as the Columbia Valley settled into a pattern of warm days and cool nights that slowed ripening enough to allow the grapes to mature fully and develop complex flavors while retaining freshness and acidity.

Winemaking: Hand-picked grapes were sorted and gently whole-cluster pressed to preserve the grapes' delicate aromas and flavors without imparting bitterness. After pressing, the juice was fermented in stainless steel tanks at a cool 60°F to preserve fresh fruit characteristics. Each lot was fermented and held separately to allow the winemakers maximum flexibility at the blending table to assemble a perfectly balanced wine.

Vineyards: The 2018 Poet's Leap Riesling is an equal blend of three distinct vineyards. German clones from The Benches in the Horse Heaven Hills provide appealing minerality. Yakima Valley's Phil Church Vineyard contributes citrus aromas and flavors. Dionysus Riesling, from vines planted in 1972, adds vibrant acidity and stone fruit characteristics.

Residual Sugar: 1.2 g/100 mL

Alcohol: 12.5%

pH: 3.01

TA: 0.91 grams /100ml

Production: 2,505 cases