



2012 RIESLING
BATES ROCK VINEYARD
PORONGURUP, GREAT SOUTHERN



THE VINTAGE & WINEMAKING

Planted in 1999, the Bates Rock vineyard is situated on the north-west shoulder of the Porongurup ranges at an elevation of approximately 220 metres above sea level. The vineyard is low yielding and planted in a north/south orientation on lateritic loam soils. The fruit was harvested at night on March 12 2012. The free run juice underwent a long and slow cold fermentation in a stainless steel tank immediately after pressing to preserve the site character. Lees stirring was carried out until bottling. The wine was bottled in July 2012.

THE WINE

The colour is light with a green tinge, the aromatics display apple blossom and citrus tones. The palate shows a softly textured, crisp style with subtle mineral undertones and a tight acidic finish which is a feature of the Bates Rock vineyard. It is anticipated in time this wine will develop a stone-like minerality and poached citrus richness whilst retaining its linear acidity.

TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS

Picking date: 12th March 2012 Alc: 11.5% pH: 2.93 TA: 6.64 g/L rs: 1.0g/L

'semper superne nitens'