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Coal River Valley Riesling 2012

Heemskerk was an integral player in developing Tasmania's wine industry, long before the island reached its current state of popularity. Graham Wiltshire established the Heemskerk vineyard in 1975 and today the label looks a little further afield, making wines that reflect some of Tasmania's best vineyard sites.

The north-east facing Riversdale vineyard is planted on the well draining sandy loam soils on the banks of the Coal River in Southern Tasmania. Moderate ripening weather, tempered by its proximity to the water, allows the development of mouth watering acidity and punchy fruit flavours.

The grapes are handpicked and because of the purity of the juice, it is not fined in order to retain its freshness.



Peter Munro **winemaker comments**

vintage conditions: Yields were very low due to poor fruit set and severe spring frosts. The summer was mild and warm except for some cold spells in January, before the Indian summer arrived for glorious autumn days resulting in quality Riesling fruit.

grape variety: Riesling

maturation: Stainless Steel 100%

colour: Very light colour with a green hue.

nose: Primary fruit characteristics of fresh lemon meld with leesy solids complexity to create an enticing nose.

palate: The palate is defined by the soft sherbet Tasmanian acidity. Ripe lemon peel fruit with hints of mandarin give the palate weight and structure..

vineyard region: Coal River Valley

harvest date: April 2012

wine analysis: Alc/Vol: 12%,
Acidity: 9g/L, pH: 3.08

bottling date: April 2012.

peak drinking: 2014 - 2018.