



## 2021 Paddy Borthwick Riesling

**Region:** Gladstone, Wairarapa, New Zealand



**Tasting notes:** An enticing aroma of white florals, lime, and savoury apple. Medium bodied, off-dry in style, with intense citrus, lemon-barley, and marmalade flavors, showing good depth. Drink now or age for 6 years and let the wine show the developing complexities of a great Riesling.

**Vintage Conditions:** The growing season for the 2021 vintage saw an early budburst with high growing degree days resulting in the earliest harvest ever. Dry December with some cold winds reduced set but good canopies allowed the fruit to ripen fully at the harvest. Great flavours colour and balance across the varieties

**Viticulture:** Planted in 2007 our one hectare of Riesling vines are lovingly cared for ensure optimal concentration and ripeness in the wines. Planted in clone 239 on rootstock 3309, the vines produce compact bunches that promote citrus characters and racy acidity, the hallmark of the Borthwick Riesling.

**Winemaking:** Our Riesling is picked and quickly pressed prior to settling and inoculation with selected yeast strains that promote a slow, cool fermentation. The fermentation is arrested when we feel the best balance has occurred between sweetness and acidity.

**Analysis:**

Alcohol: 12.5%

Total acid: 7.8g/l

pH: 3.16

Residual sugar: 4.8g/l

**History:** Established in 1996, proudly family owned and managed, Borthwick Vineyard produces wines that are a direct reflection of the Gladstone region, New Zealand. Ancient stony, alluvial soils, a cool climate, sustainable practices and minimal intervention in the vineyard and winery, mean our wines display distinctive single vineyard characteristics.