

# BLASTED CHURCH™

## BLASTED CHURCH RIESLING 2009

Appellation: Okanagan Valley (VQA)

### HARVEST NOTES

The 2009 Riesling was harvested from two vineyards; our own estate Riesling which yielded 2 tonnes and 1 tonne of Riesling from Kelowna. The 2008 version of this Riesling was 100% estate grown. The decision to add a tonne of Riesling from outside our estate vineyard was based on quality.

Our estate Riesling was the first variety to come off the vine. It was handpicked on September 16, 2009 @ 19.8 brix. This was 18 days earlier than 2008. The berries were in perfect condition to make a fantastic Riesling. Ten days later the Riesling from Kelowna was ready. It was picked at 21.8 brix. The sugar was a little higher than we wanted, but patience was needed to wait out the unripe flavor that was present at lower sugar levels.

### WINEMAKING

Both lots of fruit were sorted whole cluster and whole berry before being pressed off. Post pressing, the juice was allowed to cold settle before racking, warming and inoculating. The Blasted Church Riesling had been undergoing fermentation for 6 days before we added the clean racked juice from Kelowna to the already fermenting Riesling. The Riesling underwent an extremely cold fermentation (8-10 degrees) for five weeks. This method of fermenting the wine was used to preserve the aromas and to enhance the fruit characteristics of the Riesling. The fermentation was stopped when the residual sugar dropped to 12 g/L. The wine was then cold and protein stabilized before bottling in March.

### WINEMAKER'S NOTE

**Colour:** Mid straw.

**Bouquet:** Intense lime, grapefruit, honey, light floral characters with slight mineral notes

**Palate:** Fresh, crisp, acidic style with grapefruit, mineral, granny smith apples, lime rind, peach and nectarine flavors.

**Food Pairings:** Scrambled eggs with Smoked Salmon, Crab Crepes, Gyoza, Prosciutto e Melon.

#### Varietal Profile

Riesling/BCV  
Riesling/ Kelowna

#### Brix at Harvest

19.8 Brix  
21.8 Brix

Total acidity:	11g/L
Final pH:	2.951
Residual Sugar:	12g/L
Alcohol:	12.0%
Cases Produced:	267
CSPC:	+734681

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