



KOONUNGA HILL AUTUMN RIESLING 2015



Some of Penfolds finest Riesling parcels in the early 1970s were bottled under the Autumn Riesling label. Current Koonunga Hill vintages acknowledge the inaugural (screwcapped) 1971 Autumn Riesling release by closely adhering to the original packaging with a fitting 'retro' label and screwcap. The Koonunga Hill Autumn Riesling, like its siblings, aims to deliver the quality, value and consistency for which this range is renowned.

AN EXPRESSIVE, HIGHLY AROMATIC RIESLING. FLORAL AND CITRUS NOTES COMBINE WITH CRISP MOUTH-WATERING ACIDITY TO MAKE THIS A VERSATILE WINE SUITABLE BOTH AS AN APERITIF AND AS A PARTNER FOR RICHER SEAFOOD DISHES.



**PENFOLDS
CHIEF WINEMAKER** **PETER GAGO**

VINEYARD REGION Eden Valley

GRAPE VARIETY Riesling

VINTAGE CONDITIONS Autumn and winter rainfall was above the long-term average. Rain stopped abruptly in early August with nothing more than light and infrequent showers observed throughout spring. Canopy growth was resultantly halted early in the season, setting up an open canopy structure. The challenge was therefore to work towards a balanced canopy development under such dry conditions. A significant rainfall event in early January was a defining moment. This event revitalised vineyards and gave vines a much-needed boost throughout veraison. Mild days coupled with cool nights provided consistent conditions from late-January through to March, allowing fruit to reach optimal ripeness whilst retaining natural acidity. 2015 delivered an impressive Eden Valley vintage - Riesling characterised by its balance of intensity and vibrancy.

WINE ANALYSIS Alc/Vol: 12%
Acidity: 6.7g/L
pH: 2.87

LAST TASTED August 2015

PEAK DRINKING Now to 2020

MATURATION 3 months in Stainless Steel

COLOUR Pale Straw

NOSE Highly aromatic and perfumed! Asian herbs, lemongrass and coriander are forefront, followed by lemon/lime citrus and freshly harvested straw. The 4.5% addition of Traminer contributes an attractive Turkish Delight fragrance.

PALATE Fresh straw and citrus continue onto the very approachable palate amidst pretty florals - camomile flowers and yellow rose petal. Furthermore, traces of pink sherbet and lemon meringue ensue closing with a soft and balanced acid that makes this wine immediately enjoyable, however, will age well over the next 3 to 5 years.