

Misha's

VINEYARD

Misha's Vineyard 'Limelight' Riesling 2017



Named as a **FINE WINE OF NEW ZEALAND** – In 2020, 58 wineries in New Zealand had wines selected for the country's most prestigious accolade. The 95 wines were selected by 8 of New Zealand's top independent wine experts. Air New Zealand is the patron of this classification of the country's leading wines.

'CLASSIC' wine - *Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines, Michael Cooper*

5 Stars ★★★★★ "This single-vineyard wine is estate-grown and hand-harvested at Bendigo, in Central Otago. Still unfolding, the bright, light lemon/green, youthful 2017 vintage (4.5*) is a medium style (27 grams/litre of residual sugar), with complexity gained by fermenting 26 per cent of the blend with indigenous yeasts in old French oak barrels. From a very cool growing season, it is crisp and light-bodied (9 per cent alcohol by volume), with strong, lemony, limey, slightly appley flavours, showing a distinct touch of complexity, firm acid spine and a lingering finish. Best drinking 2022+. July 2020 (*Michael Cooper, Buyer's Guide to New Zealand Wines*)



95/100 ★★★★★ **5 stars** "Vibrant wine from a cool but exciting vintage with lime, green apple, orange blossom, bush honey and oyster-shell flavours. The wine has developed exquisite sweet-and-sour tension. Terrific now but will continue to offer pleasure for many years. Drink 2019-2027." (*Bob Campbell MW*)

95/100 ★★★★★ **5 stars** "It's gorgeously elegant and fragrant on the nose showing apricot, fig, lemon/lime peel and white floral aromas, leading to a concentrated palate that's focused and finely textured. The wine offers subtle sweetness with refreshing acidity, making it wonderfully harmonious and delightfully drinkable. Style: Medium-Dry. At its best: now to 2032" (*Sam Kim, Wine Orbit*)

18.5/20 ★★★★★ "Bright, light yellow with a slight green-golden hue, even throughout. The nose is softly full and delicate with aromas of an amalgam of citrus fruit, lime, lemon, grapefruit; entwined with honey and fresh herbs, along with a subtle note of petroleum. Medium-light bodied, off-dry, with a pure sense of citrus fruit, juice and skin, along with the sweetness of a just-ripe persimmon; honey with a slight hint of fresh herbs of dill and a flinty note. Acidity is mouthwatering, balanced the sugar sweetness, leaves a dry and refreshing mouthfeel with a light phenolic grip. The finish is lingering and mouthwatering. This is an off-dry Riesling with core flavours of citrus fruit, along with honey, herbs and flint on a light phenolic grippy mouthfeel, and finish with fresh, mouthwatering acidity. Match with pork belly with salty and crispy crackling over the next 3-5 years. Handpicked, whole bunch pressed. 74% juice racked then fermented in stainless tanks. 26% wild fermented in older French oak barrels. 9% alc, 27 g/l RS. June 2020" (*Candice Chow, Raymond Chan Wine Reviews*)

95/100 Outstanding "White blossoms and lime, green apple and lemon, lime-flower, white peach and fresh pear d'Angou. A whisper of spice and cool stone minerality. On the palate - an off-dry style with a tease of residual sweetness that is immediately contrasted by focused, ripe and refreshing acidity - leading to a just off-dry finish. The lower alcohol holds all the flavours and satin textures in place. Fantastic balance and length. Best drink from today and through 2025+. Tasted over two days - the freshness and youthful appeal remained strong. This has to be one of New Zealand's/Aotearoa's top Rieslings. It has always shown fabulous aromas and mouth feel with consistency of style across vintages." (*Cameron Douglas MS, www.camerondouglasm.com*)