

# THORN-CLARKE

— BAROSSA WINEMAKERS —

## EDEN VALLEY SANDPIPER

### RIESLING

2017



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#### THE BRAND

The Sandpiper range is named after the migratory bird which visits the Thorn-Clarke vineyards annually from the northern hemisphere - something of a reminder of the tenacity and commitment which is required for long term viticulture.

#### WINEMAKERS NOTE

Pale straw with a subtle green gold hue. Lively citrus fruit, talc and bath salt aromas rise from the glass. Enticing freshly cut lime and floral notes flow across the palate, driven by a zesty and zingy acid line. A fine balance of minerality, fruit and acid creates a mouth puckering finish which leaves you salivating for another glass.

#### VINTAGE

An above average wet spring and cooler than average summer temperatures led to a later start to picking than normal. This combined with a long and mild ripening period meant that our fruit developed to a beautiful level of maturity on the vine. This has led to outstanding flavours and elegant, expressive wines.

#### WINEMAKING

Harvest was carried out at night. The fruit was pressed (using an airbag press) within an hour of harvest. Care was taken not to lose the delicate Riesling aromas and flavour pre-cursors in the juice. After settling, the juice was warmed and inoculated with a neutral yeast selected for its ability to respect the purity of Riesling.

Post fermentation the wine was stabilised, minimally fined, filtered then bottled.

**ALCOHOL** - 11.0%    **WINEMAKER** - PETER KELLY

**VINEYARDS** - MOUNT CRAWFORD

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