

# LECONFIELD COONAWARRA

2021 *Noble Riesling*



## 2021 Vintage

**Colour:** Full golden yellow

**Bouquet:** Fragrant nose showing characteristics of rose petals, dried apricots with some honey and citrus.

**Palate:** Medium sweet palate showing good lusciousness yet retains a fine acid finish to balance the palate.

**Food Suggestions:** This is a wine to savour at the end of a meal with a fine desert or with a firm matured or blue cheese, or when the sweet tooth beckons, it is delicious on its own.

**Cellaring Potential:** The wine has been made in a medium body style with good acidity that should allow several years cellaring.

## Technical Notes

Noble Riesling is produced only in those rare years when the weather conditions are suitable for the development of Noble Rot (*botrytis cinerea*).

This dessert style wine has been made from Riesling grapes allowed to gain sweetness and richness through Noble Rot which naturally occurred in 2021. It is a luscious style with apricot flavours. The viscosity is balanced with a clean acid finish that keeps the wine vibrant and lively.

**Variety:** Riesling

**Acidity:** 7.53gms/litre

**Region:** Coonawarra

**Residual Sugar:** 95.51 gms/litre

**Vine Age:** 2005

**Malolactic:** Nil

**Alcohol:** 12.5%

**Yeast Type:** *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*

**Sugar at Picking:** 20° Baumé

**Bottle Size:** 375mL

**PH:** 3.13

## Background

Leconfield is situated in the heart of Australia's famous Coonawarra with its rich Terra Rosa soil over limestone providing the ideal environment for growing premium Cabernet Sauvignon. The vineyard was founded in 1974 by pioneering oenologist Sydney Hamilton who at 76 years of age had the ambition to produce the classic Australian red wine. Today the estate remains a family wine business owned by Dr Richard and Jette Hamilton. The Hamilton family have been growing grapes and wine in Australia since 1837.

**Winemakers:** Paul Gordon & Greg Foster

**Winegrower:** Dr Richard Hamilton

## Vintage Conditions

The 2021 Vintage in Coonawarra has the hallmarks of an incredible vintage, with superb conditions and fruit of outstanding quality and quantity being harvested. The season was mild with very stable weather conditions. The temperatures during the growing season were mild with only minor fluctuations and no major rainfall events. Dry conditions continued right through summer, and consequently, berries remained relatively small with thick skins. Coonawarra did receive several small rainfall events during the growing which was beneficial to the general vine health and soil moisture. These climatic conditions lead to long and steady increases in maturity levels, allowing winemakers to pick at optimum levels for ripeness and flavour.

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