

Chateau Ste Michelle

COLD CREEK VINEYARD 2017 RIESLING COLUMBIA VALLEY

TASTING NOTES

“Our Cold Creek Riesling is made from 45-year-old vines which contribute fruit intensity and concentration. This is a ripe, lush style of Riesling with aromas of ripe peaches, dried apricots and spice notes. It displays beautiful ripe fruit flavors with a crisp finish.”



Bob Bertheau, Winemaker

VINTAGE

- The 2017 growing season was cooler and crop yields were lower than the previous two vintages.
- The cooler temperatures delayed ripening and helped to retain fresh fruit aromatics and mouthwatering acidity.
- Despite cold winter conditions, 2017 gave us concentrated wines with classic Washington state character.

VINEYARDS

- Planted in 1973, Cold Creek Vineyard is one of Washington’s oldest and most acclaimed vineyards.
- Cold Creek Vineyard enjoys one of the longest and warmest growing seasons in the Columbia Valley.
- Cold Creek Vineyard is LIVE and Salmon Safe certified.

WINEMAKING

- Riesling grapes were picked over a four week period resulting in varying sweetness levels, giving the winemaker more blending options to work with.
- A cool fermentation was used to preserve Riesling’s fresh and fruity varietal character.



TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol	12.5%
TA	0.69 g/100 ml
pH	3.02
Blend	100% Cold Creek Vyd Riesling
Residual sugar	1.48 g/100 ml

FOOD PAIRINGS

Foods	crab, fresh fruit, poultry, mild cheeses, Asian dishes
Herbs	dill, parsley, chervil
Spices	allspice, black pepper, cloves, nutmeg

