

SMITH·MADRONE

2015 Estate Riesling

There is a natural tendency to think of Alsatian wines when tasting Smith-Madrone Riesling, but the 2015 has a springy lightness that suggests the delicate, elegant style of some German wines.

It starts with a stunning floral aroma —of roses, particularly and a spritely combination of a variety of citrus fruits. On the palate it is once again delicate, lively & wonderfully flavorful. In the last year or so the wine has developed a brilliant clarity and intense focus. This wine is completely lovely and utterly delicious.

This wine is made from mountain grown grapes, honoring the international tradition of Riesling which thrives on steep hillsides. At Smith-Madrone our goal is to make artisanal wines which are distinctive and are an expression of both the vintage and us as vintners, but above all else, are wines which bring pleasure to the senses. Every year our wine is made from the same vineyards, pruned by the same people in the same way, cultivated in exactly the same manner and harvested at similar levels of maturity, yet Mother Nature stamps each vintage with a unique set of flavors, senses and character. Vintage dating is a celebration of that uniqueness and diversity.

Appellation:	Napa Valley
Sub-appellation:	Spring Mountain District
Varietal content:	100% Riesling
Alcohol:	12.6%
pH:	3.03
TA:	.821
Residual sugar:	0.68%
Harvested:	August 27-28, 2015
Cases produced:	685 cases
Winemakers and winegrowers:	Charlie Smith, Sam Smith & Stuart Smith