



2020 RIESLING (DRY)

KICK ON RANCH

SANTA BARBARA COUNTY

Kick On Ranch is a few miles West of Los Alamos, getting close to the ocean and Vandenberg Air Force Base. This vineyard is home to our Riesling. It's located in a narrow East-West corridor that funnels the Pacific Westerlies inland, so the wind is near constant and you get goosebumps even when visiting the vineyard in summertime.

The wind and fog challenge the vines, and the poor sandy soils temper vine vigor. Our Riesling is always our last white fruit to ripen (generally in October). So much abuse and deprivation seems like a bad thing, but it's exactly what provides the intense character and fine balance that you'll find in our dry Riesling.

In this 2020 bottling you find that transportive tropicality which we love about this wine's youth. The aromas show a striking floral-mineral nexus, suggesting plumeria and sandstone, while scents of green guava, pomelo and key limes provide what's just an ostensible sweetness (the wine is dry as can be). The entry is vibrant and expansive, then a citrusy raciness drives the mid-palate before the wine fans out with flavors of ginger, soursop and oceanic salinity. It's utterly refreshing during the summer heat, and likewise alongside a rich wintry meal.

BLEND 100% Riesling

VINEYARDS Kick On Ranch

AVA Santa Barbara County

ALCOHOL 12.5%

VINIFICATION Barrel fermented in neutral French oak

BARREL AGING 9 Months

TOTAL PRODUCTION 331 Cases

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