

# CASTLE & CROWN

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## 2021 Old Vine Red Willow Riesling

*Yakima Valley AVA*

### Vineyard

Almost a mile west of Red Willow's Chapel Block lies the Les Vignes de Marcoux block. Rising to above 1100 feet in elevation, the majority of this block has a gentle south-east facing slope and is characterized by Warden sandy loam soils.

### Winemaking

Grapes for this single vineyard wine hail from Riesling vines planted in Red Willow Vineyard's Marcoux Block. One ton of Riesling grapes were hand picked at 21.8 Brix in the early morning and brought back to the winery where they were foot stomped and left on the skins for 24 hours. This was followed by gently pressing the grapes to taste. A long and cool fermentation proceeded in neutral French oak barrel with wild yeast. Aged on partial lees for five months in barrel prior to bottling.

### Tasting Notes

White peach, lemon zest, white tea, gardenia, melon and pineapple rind. Slight woody and petrol undertones complete the chorus. The palate is precise and clean, with good viscosity and refreshing acidity. The finish is rounded and textured.

### Production Notes

**Blend:** 100% Riesling

**Harvest Date:** August 31<sup>st</sup>, 2021

**Vineyard/AVA:** Marcoux Block, Red Willow Vineyard, Yakima Valley

**pH:** 3.08 | **TA:** 7.3g/L

**ABV:** 12.8%

