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Jordan Mellifera Noble Late Harvest 2003

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International Wine Challenge 2005 - Bronze
Delicate, floral and fresh ripe apricot bouquet with a limey citrus twist. Sun-dried peach and apricot flavours with a well-balanced acidity add elegance to the long rich finish.



variety : Riesling | 100% Riesling
winery : Jordan Wine Estate
winemaker : Gary & Kathy Jordan
wine of origin : Stellenbosch
analysis : **alc :** 12.0 % vol **rs :** 86 g/l **pH :** 3.34 **ta :** 7.2 g/l
type : Dessert
pack : Bottle

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in the vineyard : Spectacular panoramic views of Stellenbosch and Cape Town, cool hillside vineyards planted to classic varieties, and a modern family-run winery have combined to produce distinctive wines displaying the ripe concentrated fruity accessibility of the New World, with the complex elegance of classic wine styles.

A small south-facing 17 year old block of Riesling is home to this limited-release wine. Situated at 280m above sea level on Glenrosa soil, the vineyard is planted to Geisenheim clone 239 on Richter 110 rootstock. Misty weather during veraison encouraged botrytis (pourriture noble) which concentrates the flavours and sugars.

about the harvest: Hand-selected and harvested on 7th April 2003.

in the cellar : The utmost patience was needed to make this wine, taking the whole day to press the raisined berries. The juice was racked into a stainless steel tank and fermented at 14Â°C with a specially selected strain of yeast capable of handling higher sugars.

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