

# PIKES

CLARE VALLEY

Established 1984

## 2022 'TRADITIONALE' RIESLING

### WINEMAKER'S NOTE

Good winter rain allowed soil profiles to be full, giving the vines a great start to the growing season. Remarkably cool summer followed, providing perfect conditions for healthy vines to produce fruit with high natural acidity and concentrated flavours. One of the better vintages of the last decade. Fruit sourced from our own estate in Polish Hill River, and growers' vineyards in Watervale, Leasingham, Mintaro and Sevenhill. Made exclusively with free run juice, our aim is to capture the flavour of the individual sites with minimal winemaking influence being evident.

### TECHNICAL INFORMATION

**Fruit Source:** Estate & Growers

**Variety:** Riesling

**Vintage:** 2022

**Region:** Clare Valley

**Fermentation:** 100% free run juice, neutral yeast, rested on fermentation lees for 3 months prior to bottling

**Alc/Vol** 12%      **RS** 4.2 g/L

**pH** 3.0            **TA** 8.2 g/L

### ABOUT PIKES

Pikes Wines is grounded by family. From brothers to sons, since 1984 when the Pike family first stepped foot on Polish Hill River soil and decided to make wine together.

Our site is unique, with tough acidic soils overlaying ancient dark grey siltstone of the Kadlunga Slate formation, which has lay beneath Polish Hill River for 650 million years.

Our wine style is elegant and refined, yet approachable. A style that has been forged over many years by geology and geography, viticultural learnings, and a hands-off winemaking approach.

### Pikes Tasting Room

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Tasting Room: open daily, from 10am - 4pm

Slate Restaurant: Lunch from 12pm Thu - Sun, Dinner from 6pm Sat

### TASTING NOTES

**Appearance:** Brilliant pale straw with green hues.

**Aroma:** Lifted aromas of perfume, citrus blossom and fresh lime dominate with a talcy/mineral note evident. All the hallmarks of an excellent vintage.

**Palate:** Crisp acid driven wine, exuding all the flavours of lime. Leaf, juice, blossom and even cordial. The highly concentrated fruit driven mid palate is wound around a core of fine acid that balances and extends the finish perfectly.

**Summary:** This release marks the 38th vintage of Pikes Riesling and is a worthy follower to the exceptional 2021 release, representing one of the best of the last decade. A true reflection of the cooler vintage, this wine will stand the test of time. Drink now or cellar for 10+ years. Perfectly matched with freshly shucked South Australian oysters.

