



## 2011 Riesling, Antsy Pants

54 Cases Produced

### Vineyard Composition

66% Brooks Vineyard, Eola Hills  
34% Cherry Grove Vineyard, Gaston

### Chemistry

9.9% Alcohol  
6.0 g/L Residual Sugar  
11.8 g/L Titratable Acidity  
2.86 pH  
IRF Scale: Dry

### Vintage Notes

Antsy Pants is the proprietary name for the barrel selection cuvee of the vintage. It shines the spotlight on interesting aspects of the cellar in any given year. In the case of this Riesling, it is a dry blend of stainless steel drum ferments from two of the older vineyard sites in the cellar. The wines in this blend were fermented using only 'wild' yeast - otherwise known as - uninoculated.

2011 was our second cool growing season in a row, and this time around we were ready for it. Early crop thinning and leaf removal allowed for more uniform ripeness. The clusters were bigger and tighter than usual throughout the valley, which led to a heavy rot pressure. The cool summer led into a wet fall - normal weather for the hardy Riesling grape. We waited for a dry window and picked with moderate sugars and naturally high acids.

Brooks Vineyard is owned by relatives of the late Jimi Brooks and farmed biodynamically by Chris Williams and Bob Bailey. Their Riesling is self-rooted and was planted in 1976. The Cherry Grove Vineyard north

of Gaston is owned by the Van Steenburg Family and farmed by Stirling Fox. The Riesling block was planted in the 80's by the previous owner as a hobby and thus has its eccentricities as well as lots of potential.

Each vineyard's grapes were gently pressed whole-cluster and the juice settled for a few days before being racked off of the gross lees. The must was fermented slowly in a walk-in cooler in small stainless steel drums using native yeast. After the fermentations reached their natural conclusions, the separate lots were blended, stabilized and filtered by the gentlest means. The wine was bottled on May 16, 2012. The 2011 vintage is great for high-acid, low-alcohol whites. This Riesling is dry. Typical citrus and green apple are present along with white flowers, melon and forest.