

# STONECAP RIESLING 2020

*Columbia Valley, Washington*

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**TASTING NOTES:** The 2020 Riesling has a rich and expressive bouquet of lemon zest, white peach, and lightly fragrant orange blossoms. Concentrated and refreshing flavors of ripe tangerine, apricot, and passion fruit fill the palate over a bright structure with hints of minerality. The juicy and bright citrus profile evolves gracefully into a refreshing, lingering, and satisfying finish.

**VINIFICATION:** The fruit producing this Riesling was sourced from two different sections of our estate vineyard. The majority came from the east side, where temperatures remain cooler, allowing for much more acid retention and hang time. The remainder of the fruit comes from the top of the vineyard; this block has excellent exposure and produces wine with expressive aromatics. The Riesling was fermented cool in 100% stainless steel to maintain the fruit's crisp purity and to preserve aromatics.

**STORY:** StoneCap is made with estate-grown grapes from the expansive, renowned Goose Ridge Vineyard in Washington State's Columbia Valley. This valley and its surrounding rivers were formed during the Ice Age. The soil in this region is frequently wind-blown, leaving a "stonecap" at the top of the hills.

M.L. Monson brought his family to the Yakima Valley in the early 1900s. He came with a love for the land and the dream of building a family farming business that would continue for generations.

Initially, the focus was on orchards and cattle. In the 1990s, M.L.'s son Arvid began building in a new direction, establishing vineyards in the arid hills and valleys around Richland. This led to the founding of Goose Ridge Estate Vineyard & Winery in 1998.

Through years of remarkable growth and change, the family has remained true to the vision held by M.L. and Arvid Monson, and today Goose Ridge is led by Arvid's three children, Bill, Molly and Valerie

**PRODUCER:** Goose Ridge

**ALCOHOL:** 12.7%

**REGION:** Columbia Valley, Washington

**GRAPE(S):** 100% Riesling