

# PIERRE SPARR®

## 2019 RIESLING



**ORIGINS:** The Alsace region of France is known throughout the world for its lovely, dry white wines. Vineyards were first planted in this narrow valley during the height of the Roman Empire. Maison Pierre Sparr was established by the Sparr family in 1680 in the desirable Haut Rhin. Today quality remains Pierre Sparr's primary focus and the winery consistently exceeds AOC guidelines.

**AOC:** Appellation Alsace Contrôlée

**VARIETAL COMPOSITION:** 100% Riesling

**VINEYARD REGION:** From Sigolsheim (Haut-Rhin) to Molsheim (Bas-Rhin)

**VINEYARD SIZE:** 6 hectares (15 acres)

**SOIL:** Granite, limestone, gneiss, chalky-clay

**VINE AGE:** 30 years

**VITICULTURE:** No irrigation; trellised vines; hand-harvesting; sustainably-farmed; no chemical fertilizers or pesticides

**HARVEST DATES:** Early October

**YIELDS:** 60 hectoliters per hectare (4.4 tons per acre)

**VINIFICATION:** Gentle whole cluster pressing, no skin contact, temperature-controlled, no malolactic

**AGING:** Stainless-steel tanks

**CERTIFICATION:** Vegan

**ALCOHOL:** 13.5%

**TOTAL ACIDITY:** 7.2 g/L

**RESIDUAL SUGAR:** 2.8 g/L

**TASTING NOTES:** This pale yellow Riesling opens slowly to reveal layers of lilac and orange peel, framed by wet stone and mineral character that adds dimension. On the palate, freshness and elegance dominate this bone-dry wine.