



TRESILLIAN

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Viticulture Notes

The 2010 Tresillian Cerelia was made from Riesling grapes grown on Sunnybrae vineyard, near Akaroa on Banks Peninsula.

Spring on Banks peninsula was cooler than average –in fact October was the coolest in NZ since 1945. It was a topsy-turvy summer- It started out extremely cold, with record cold temperatures in early December, but finished hot, with heat waves and above average temperatures in February.

The frequent southerlies over flowering resulted in reduced fruit-set, therefore the bunches were much smaller than normal. Nevertheless, at veraison we fruit-thinned to ensure consistency in the fruit, and nice ripe flavours.

The cool weather finally gave way during early February to a long period of settled very warm weather.

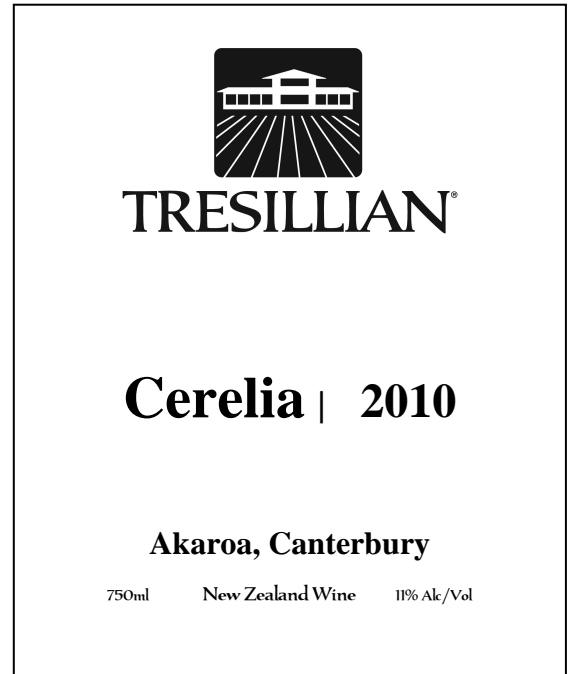
The drought during February to mid May meant that the berry growth was reduced. Grape vines need adequate soil moisture during the season, or the berries don't swell up much. Sunnybrae vineyard is not irrigated so we rely on natural rainfall for vine and berry growth.

Unsurprisingly, at harvest we noticed that the bunches were much smaller (50%) and lighter than usual. As all of the flavour in wine comes from the skins of the berries, if you have small berries and not much juice, you find more intense flavours in the grapes and thus wines.

Winemaker's Notes

The grapes were hand-harvested into small bins , transported to the winery and pressed immediately. The intense clear juice was then fermented in typical Canterbury fashion, slowly at low temperatures.

A stunning medium-sweet. Spätlese style Riesling. Aromas of red apple, citrus and honey with crisp acidity balancing the natural sweetness make this a perfect aperitif. Try after dinner with creamy blue cheese and crackers.



Analysis at Harvest (12 May 2010):

22.6° Brix
11.5 g/L TA
3.12 pH

Analysis at Bottling (23 June 2011):

11% alc/vol
29g/L Residual Sugar