

017 SEMI-DRY RIESI

ACCOLADES 90 Wine Advocate

2017 Semi-Dry Riesling

Our Classic Range of wines express the purest form of our winemaking style, the terroir of the Finger Lakes, and the range of grape varieties grown.

| VARIETY: | 100% Riesling. |
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| VINEYARD: | 90% Seneca Estate, 10% Keuka Estate |
| VINIFICATION: | De-Stemmed. Direct Press. |
| VESSEL: | Stainless Steel. Temperature Controlled. |
| FERMENTATION: | Traditional. No Malolactic Fermentation. |
| ÉLEVAGE: | Unoaked. 5 Months Lees Aging. |
| DRYNESS: | Semi-Dry. 2.2% Residual Sugar. |
| ANALYSIS: | 11.9% Alc, 22 g/L R.S., 3.23 pH, 6.6 g/L TA. |

VINTAGE

The 2017 vintage was a study on how much weather conditions can vary from year to year. The 2016 growing year was very hot and dry with very little precipitation. Winter before the 2017 growing season was cold but our vines survived without any damage. The growing season was cooler with ample precipitation all year long with plenty of sunshine. That made for a vintage with good production and plenty of time to develop complexity.

VINEYARD

Riesling was first brought to the Finger Lakes by our founder. Those original vines dating back to 1958 are still in production. Riesling blocks on our Keuka vineyard were planted in 1958, 1962, 1968, 1976, 1999, 2006, and 2012 with various clones (88, 90, 11, 318, 239, 49, 110, 38). Soils here are shallow, shale-based which add minerality, acidity, and elegance. Riesling was planted in 2007, 2008, 2010, and 2012 on our Seneca estate vineyard with 90 and 356 clones. Temperatures here are a few degrees warmer than Keuka thus providing riper fruit notes. Soils on Seneca are characterized by deep honeoye silt loam.

THE WINE

Clean and delicate on the nose with citrus, nectarine and pineapple with a touch of pear and mineral notes. The cool and balanced 2017 vintage gives this year's wine brighter acidity and a slightly less sweeter style.

FOOD PAIRING

Middle Eastern, Moroccan, Thai, and Asian cuisines. Pairs well with Spicy and Aromatic Ingredients like Pepper, Ginger, Curry, Sesame, and Soy. Spicy BBQ and Wings. Pork.