



2017 LENA RESERVE

Our Helm Series of wines are our most distinctive wines that focus on originality made from exceedingly old vineyard sites and wines chosen from our highest quality barrels.

This exceptional red wine is inspired by Helena ("Lena") Frank, Konstantin Frank's daughter. A woman of elegance, beauty and depth, Lena has a deep love for the Frank family and their contributions to the Finger Lakes wine industry. Lena is known for her empathy for others and her incredible story telling abilities, weaving together many cherished stories of Konstantin for all to enjoy.



ACCOLADES
Awaiting Results

VARIETY:	1 Barrel Each: Cabernet Sauvignon, Cabernet Franc, Merlot, Blaufrankisch, Pinot Noir, Saperavi.
VINIFICATION:	De-stemmed. Several Day Cold Soak.
VESSEL:	Open-Top Stainless Steel. Temperature Controlled.
FERMENTATION:	Traditional. 3 Times Daily Manual Punchdowns.
ÉLEVAGE:	20 Months Aging. 50% New French Oak.
ANALYSIS:	13% Alc, 7.2 g/L TA, 1.0 g/L R.S., 3.59 pH

VINTAGE

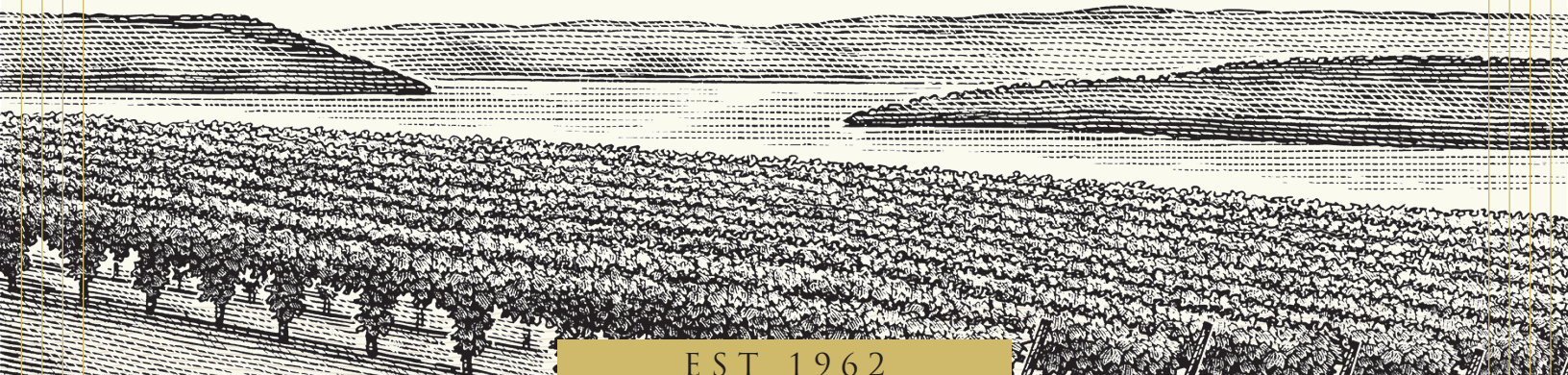
The 2017 vintage was a study on how much weather conditions can vary from year to year. The 2016 growing year was very hot and dry with very little precipitation. Winter before the 2017 growing season was cold but our vines survived without any damage. The 2017 growing season was cooler with ample precipitation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

SELECTION

The blend for Lena Reserve is chosen by our winemaking team. The blend includes our best tasting barrels from our highest quality cooperage with a higher portion of new oak.

THE WINE

Like Lena, the wine tells a story of how exceptional vineyards, passion and family can coincide to produce a wine of brilliance. Diverse characters bring ample complexity to the party, each barrel offering bounteous flavors. The power of the fruit carries through into a riff of tobacco, earth, and cedar oak spice. Built with firm and grippy tannins, its ready for long aging. Sophisticated, confident and delicious, a Finger Lakes red that is sure to become a classic.



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