

ACCOLADES

## 2019 Lena Reserve

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.

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VARIETY:	1 Barrel Each: Amur, Blaufränkisch, Cabernet Franc,
	Cabernet Sauvignon, Merlot, Pinot Noir.
VINIFICATION:	De-stemmed. Cold Soak.
FERMENTATION:	Traditional. 3 Times Daily Manual Punchdowns.
AGING:	20 Months Aging.
BARRELS:	5 French Oak and 1 Hungarian. 16% New.
ANALYSIS:	13% Alc, 7.1 g/L TA, 0.3 g/L R.S., 3.63 pH

## VINTAGE

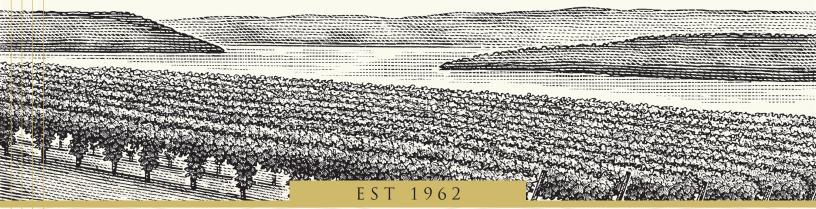
In 2019, budbreak and flowering started about two weeks later than normal. Temperatures during the summer were moderate, and much cooler than in 2018. August and September were cooler than average. Luckily, the weather in the fall was extremely favorable with extended periods of sunny and dry days followed by cool nights. This offered excellent conditions to fully ripen the grapes well into October.

## **SELECTION**

The blend for Lena Reserve is chosen by our winemaking team. The blend includes our best tasting barrels from our highest quality cooperage. Each variety was aged for 8 months individually. The Blaufrankisch was aged in a new Hungarian barrel while the remaining 5 varieties were aged in 2-3 year old French barrels. After 8 months, the barrels were blended together and then aged an additional 12 months in French oak. 150 cases produced.

## 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 black fruit carries through into a riff of chocolate, earth, and cedar oak spice. Built with firm and grippy tannins, its ready for long aging. Sophisticated, polished and delicious, a Finger Lakes red that is sure to become a classic.



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