



# 2020 MARGRIT DRY RIESLING

*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 single vineyard Riesling is inspired by Willy Frank's wife Margrit, a woman in the Frank family known for her enthusiasm for life and fierce devotion to her family. As a beloved woman, mother and grandmother, Margrit's contributions to the family business have been immeasurable.*



ACCOLADES

VARIETY:	100% Riesling.
VINEYARD:	100% Seneca Estate.
VINIFICATION:	De-Stemmed. Direct Press. Pneumatic Press.
VESSEL:	Stainless Steel. Temperature Controlled.
FERMENTATION:	Traditional. No Malolatic Fermentation.
AGING:	Unoaked. 5 Months Lees Aging.
PRODUCTION:	350 Cases.

## VINTAGE

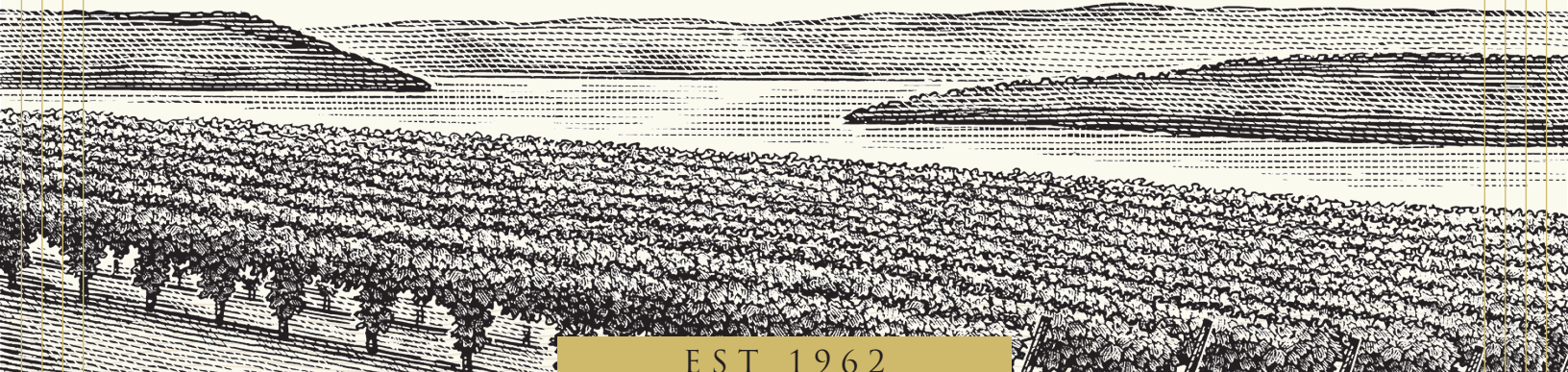
Hot and dry is a great way to describe the 2020 growing season. The trend of late bud break continues, beginning in mid-May. A month later in mid-June, most varieties began flowering and fruit set. Between bud break and fruit set, it was warm and dry with only considerable rainfall a handful of times. Throughout the growing season we were blessed with hot and dry conditions. This kept disease pressure very low. Luckily, our old vines are able to withstand drought conditions. The warm and dry weather continued into the fall allowing us to fully ripen grapes well into October. The 2020 vintage was one of the best years in recent memory.

## VINEYARD

The grapes from this single vineyard come a single plot on our Seneca estate vineyards. This plot was planted in 2008 with clones 356 and 90 on 3309 rootstocks. Our Seneca estate vineyard is located in Hector, New York, in the warmest mesoclimate in the Finger Lakes known as the 'Banana Belt'. 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

Dry, rich, and seductive. The riper vineyard site expresses tangerine, grapefruit, and candied lemon zest balanced with mineral notes of shale and wet stones. The mouthfeel is round and rich with enough acidity to cut through.



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