



Riesling Classique 2014

100% Riesling

80% east side Seneca Lake

20% west side Cayuga Lake

Soils: shale, gravelly loam and clay with limestone

Hand-harvested, sorted, and whole cluster pressed

Harvest Dates: Oct. 19 - Nov. 4

Fermented with mostly indigenous yeasts

Aged in 40% stainless steel and 60% neutral barriques

Residual Sugar: 0.3%

Production: 1600 cases

Alcohol: 12.5%

vintage

The effects of a long memorable fall can't be overstated. A cooler, rainier summer led to about the most wonderful fall you could ask for—prolonged dry, sunny weather with mild temperatures and beneficial air flow for several weeks. Forge and its growers were pro-active in the vineyards throughout the growing season and our diligence paid off with great rewards by being able to glide into the home stretch. Healthy grapes ripened beautifully and we harvested optimal fruit at our choosing.

tasting notes

Grapefruit - mineral - lemon - elderflower

The complexity due to long grape maturation is apparent in this vintage. Our 2014 Riesling Classique shows all the aromatic spectrum that makes us happy. In the mouth, its "bone-dryness" is balanced by the advanced ripening. And ripening makes the acidity friendly.