## GOOD EARTH WHITE 2017





Owner-winemakers Paul and Shannon Brock represent the new generation of young winemakers propelling the Finger Lakes region to prominence. At the helm of Silver Thread since 2011, the couple has shepherded the 37-year-old estate winery to new heights with a focus on expressive, terroir-driven Riesling. Estate vines are farmed bio-intensively, a holistic, non-chemical approach. Small-batch wine production does not exceed 3,000 cases. The turtle image on our label is a local Native American artifact that reminds us to care for the land and water that give us the gift of wine.

## VINEYARD NOTES

Good Earth White is a blend of grapes from our own vineyard and a trusted grower-partner. Our 30-year-old, biologically-farmed estate vineyard perched on the edge of Seneca Lake provided the elegant Riesling (52%) and powerful Gewurztraminer (30%). Vidal Blanc grown by a neighboring Seneca Lake vineyard is a French-American hybrid variety known for racy acidity and bright fruitiness (18% of blend).

## VINTAGE NOTES

A hot and sunny autumn saved the 2017 vintage after a rainy spring and summer. Harvest was delayed about two weeks to take advantage of extended ripening. Bright acidity from the cooler-than-average season is balanced by ripe flavors from the warm fall. Varietals were harvested and fermented separately, then blended prior to bottling. Each fermentation was arrested to allow a hint of natural sweetness to balance the crisp acidity.

## TASTING NOTES

Good Earth is a medium dry aromatic white blend that serves as an excellent introduction to the Finger Lakes style. Ripe and vibrant aromas of citrus and green fruit lead to a rounded palate of honey and peach with refreshing acidity. A lingering spiciness with hints of stone completes the experience. Crowd-pleasing yet sophisticated.

CASES PRODUCED: 340 ELEVAGE: 8 months in stainless steel DATE BOTTLED: May 2018 ALCOHOL: 12.1% ACID: 8.1 g/l PH: 3.17 RESIDUAL SUGAR: 10 g/L