

## 2016 Silver Thread Vineyard Semi-Dry Riesling

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The 2016 Semi-Dry Riesling comes in with 11.8% alcohol, 20 grams of sugar and 7.7 grams of total acidity. A roughly equal blend of Gridley Bluff Point vines on Keuka Lake and Doyle Fournier vines on Seneca (with 14% from the winery's estate STV vineyard on Seneca), this is every bit as good as the Dry Riesling this year, maybe better. My tendency in the Finger Lakes is to prefer the Dry Rieslings, but this handles its sugar beautifully, while remaining fresh and lively. I might have a minor preference for it this year, although, Riesling slut that I am, I like them both a lot. It shows good concentration and some tension on the finish. It's a sure-fire crowd-pleaser, appealing to novices and geeks alike. There were 260 cases produced.

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## 2016 Silver Thread Vineyard Dry Riesling

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The 2016 Dry Riesling comes in with seven grams of sugar, 7.4 grams of total acidity and 11.8% alcohol. About a third of this was sourced from the winery's own STV estate vineyard, with most of the rest from Doyle Fournier on Seneca and 13% Gridley Bluff Point, a high-elevation site on Keuka. Dry, but by no means austere, this is fresh, concentrated and nicely built, with a clean finish and lively demeanor. The mid-palate concentration soaks up the acidity and makes this very balanced as well as impressive. It's also a good value. It often seemed to me to outperform the pricier single-vineyard STV, although the styles are certainly different and the STV redeemed itself (and probably surpassed this) in time. As that wine aired and warmed, it came into its own and demonstrated its quality. But if you're flipping a coin over the style, this is certainly a better value. Easy to drink on its own, it will also...

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