

GOOD EARTH WHITE 2016



SILVER THREAD
VINEYARD



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 36-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. Vidal Blanc grown by a neighboring Seneca Lake vineyard is a French-American hybrid variety known for racy acidity and bright fruitiness (77% of blend). Our 30-year-old, biologically-farmed estate vineyard perched on the edge of Seneca Lake provided the elegant Riesling (19%) and powerful Gewurztraminer (4%).

VINTAGE NOTES

2016 was an outstanding growing season that began in mid-May after a relatively mild winter. Exceptionally dry and warm-but-not-hot weather led to small berries with concentrated and complex flavors. Disease pressure was low throughout the season. Harvest was complete by October 20. 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 and abundantly fruity white for everyday drinking, and an excellent introduction to the Finger Lakes style. Ripe and vibrant aromas of apricot and exotic apples refresh the palate and lead to a grapefruit finish. Crowd-pleasing yet sophisticated.

CASES PRODUCED: 420
ELEVAGE: 5 months in stainless steel
DATE BOTTLED: March 2017
ALCOHOL: 11.7%
ACID: 6.6 g/l
PH: 3.21
RESIDUAL SUGAR: 9 g/L

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