

# DRY ROSÉ OF PINOT NOIR 2021





CASES PRODUCED: 200 ÉLÉVAGE: 3 months part in neutral oak, part in stainless steel DATE BOTTLED: January 26, 2022 ALCOHOL: 10.5%

ACID: 6.9g/l PH: 3.49

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0g/L BOTTLE WEIGHT: 450g

## **OUR STORY**

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

Our estate Pinot Noir vineyard was planted in 1984, making it one of the oldest on Seneca Lake. The glacial till includes shale and limestone outcroppings amidst silt-loam soil and contributes to naturally low yields. Dijon clones planted include 115 and Clone V (reportedly a suitcase clone from Clos Vougeot). Our vineyard is farmed without tilling or herbicides, and with biofungicides to control disease the greatest extent possible.

### TASTING NOTES

Its delicate pink color is reminiscent of a Finger Lakes sunset. Truly dry, crisp and refreshing. Aromas of graphite and flint, plus strawberries and cream. This silky-textured wine refreshes with flickers of minerality and a burst of red cherry fruit on the finish. Drink young for optimal freshness.

### VINTAGE NOTES

The 2021 growing season was wet throughout, with grapes struggling to achieve high sugars. Grapes were hand-harvested from our estate vineyard on September 20 & 21, 2021. Most of the juice was fermented in stainless steel, but a fraction was fermented in neutral oak and underwent malolactic fermentation to soften the texture. Flavor ripeness and physiological ripeness were reached, resulting in flavorful yet low-alcohol wine.