

Gewurztraminer 2022



Finger Lakes, New York



CASES PRODUCED: 90
DATE BOTTLED: January 2023
ALCOHOL: 13%
ACID: 5.3 g/L
PH: 3.44
RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.2%
BOTTLE WEIGHT: 450 g

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 40-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. Winemaking always embraces the characteristics of the vintage without any adjustments to the fruit or juice, resulting in pure and expressive wines. 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 Gewurztraminer was planted between 1999 and 2001 by Silver Thread founder Richard Figiel. The glacial till includes shale and limestone outcroppings amidst silt-loam soil and contributes to naturally low yields. A relatively warm mesoclimate beside the deepest part of Seneca Lake gives ripeness and power to this noble variety. Made with grapes hand-picked from estate vines planted in 1998. Grapes were farmed using bio-intensive practices. Fermentation was interrupted by chilling to maintain medium alcohol and a touch of sweetness.

TASTING NOTES

Off-dry with floral and herbal aromas, this rich and powerful wine is reflective of the 2022 growing season. Medium body and a lingering finish of baking spices.

VINTAGE NOTES

2022 was a dry year, with drought conditions during July and August. As a result, the grapes were small and overall crop weight was low. Temperatures during the growing season were warm, but not overly hot, leading to fully ripe grapes with moderate acidity and beautiful flavors. The only downside to 2022 was the small crop size, leading to less wine produced overall.