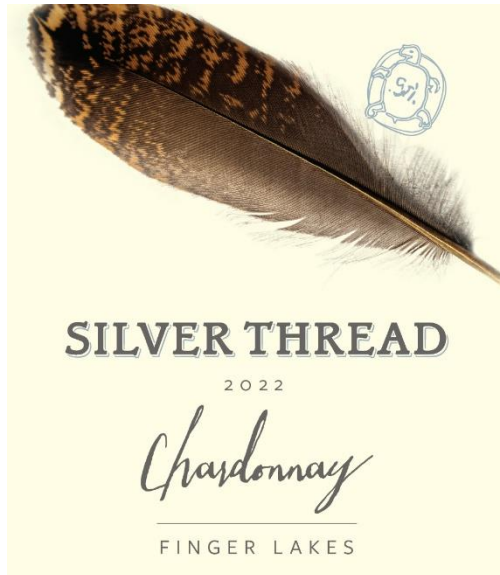


Chardonnay 2022

SILVER THREAD
VINEYARD



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 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.

Cases produced: 75

Elevage: aged *sur lie* for 8 months in old French oak

Date bottled: July 2023

Alcohol: 12.4%

Vineyard Notes

Our Chardonnay vines were planted in 1984 by Silver Thread founder Richard Figiel. This wine was barrel fermented and aged *sur lie* in old French oak for eight months. Bottled on July 6th, 2023.

Tasting Notes

Aromas of lemon zest, vanilla, and brioche. Full body with a rich mouthfeel and long finish. Lingering flavors of toasted coconut, citrus, ginger root, and minerals. This wine is certainly ready to drink if you enjoy young, zesty Chardonnays but we enthusiastically encourage you to cellar it for 5-8 years.

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.