



## Good Earth Red Wine 2022



*Finger Lakes, New York*



ALCOHOL: 11.7%  
BLEND: Lemberger  
BOTTLED: August 2023  
CASES PRODUCED: 106  
ELEVAGE: 10 months in neutral oak  
barriques  
BOTTLE WEIGHT: 411g  
ACID: 5.5 g/L  
pH: 3.52



## 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.

## WINEMAKER NOTES

100% Lemberger (a.k.a. Blaufrankisch) was grown at Doyle Fournier Vineyard, one of our trusted grower-partners that is Certified Sustainable by New York Sustainable Winegrowing. Grapes were hand-harvested at optimal ripeness on Sept. 30, 2022, then de-stemmed, crushed and fermented using native and cultured yeasts. Wine was aged in neutral oak barrels for 10 months before bottling in August 2023.

## 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.

## TASTING NOTES

Cherry and cranberry aromas with hints of black pepper and dried herbs. Soft tannins, round mouthfeel, and a lingering, stony finish. Drink now or cellar 5-8 years.