

RAVINES

Dry Riesling, 16 Falls Vineyard 2019

93 points Wine & Spirits

TASTING NOTES

Powerful, mineral-driven and zippy, with nice tension and a long finish. From our estate vineyard, a gently sloping site with great afternoon sun exposure This age-worthy expression melds lime, apricot and a floral bouquet.

VINEYARD

- ~ Estate grown, 100% Riesling, Finger Lakes AVA, NY
- ~ Sloping western exposure next to the deepest waters on the east side of Seneca Lake
- Clay/loam over shalestone & a lyre trellis system, planted in 1998-2002
- Clones 198, 239 and 90 and rootstock mostly 3309C, some 101-14 and 5BB

GROWING SEASON

- Warmer than average growing season through July, then average temperatures; some August rain showers followed by a dry late season and harvest with very low disease pressure.
- Harvest date of October 21st with sorting done in the vineyard
- ~ Hand harvested with minimal botrytis under excellent conditions

WINEMAKING

- ~ All grapes were whole cluster pressed for gentle extraction
- ~ All components were fermented at low temps. (54 60 F) in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks
- ~ After racking, components were aged on lighter lees until April and the wine was bottled on July 3rd, 2020

ANALYSIS

~ Alc. 12.6%, R.S. 3 g/l, T.A. 8.1 g/l, pH 3.15

STORY & PHILOSOPHY

Ravines Wine Cellars makes dry, classical, terroir-driven wines on over 130 acres of estate vineyards. Founded in 2001 and family-owned and operated ever since by Morten and Lisa Hallgren, Morten was raised and trained as an oenologist / winemaker in Provence and Bordeaux France, before moving to the region and pioneering the bone-dry, mineral-tinged Riesling style that the region is now famous for. Ravines utilizes minimal intervention in the cellar and employs sustainable winegrowing practices on steep-sloping vineyards with limestone and shalestone soils. Our wines have continually gained noteworthy press and international accolades as a standard-bearer Finger Lakes winery.

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