



RAVINES

Dry Riesling 2019

94 pts Decanter, Three previous vintages made Wine Spectator's Top 100 Wines

TASTING NOTES

This Riesling is grown in limestone and shalestone soils on the steep slopes surrounding the Finger Lakes. It is an elegant, dry style with delicate aromatics, distinct minerality and a bright acidity.

VINEYARD

- ~ Estate grown, 100% Riesling, Finger Lakes AVA, NY
- ~ White Springs Vineyard (46%), 16 Falls Vineyard (51%), one vineyard is on each side of Seneca Lake, as well as our Keuka Lake Vineyard (3%)
- ~ White Springs has eastern exposure, honeoye loam over limestone soil & VSP trellis system, planted in 2003-2004 (one of few limestone sites in the Finger Lakes region)
- ~ 16 Falls has western exposure, 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 dates of October 13th - 29th, our latest Riesling harvest on record

WINEMAKING

- ~ Hand harvested grapes from both vineyards were whole cluster pressed
- ~ The smaller machine harvested fraction from the (home farm) White Springs vineyard was given skin contact in our tank-press prior to pressing
- ~ 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 May and the wine was bottled in July 2020

ANALYSIS

- ~ Alc. 12.6%, R.S. 4 g/l, T.A. 8.3 g/l, pH 3.12

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.

Produced & bottled by Ravines Wine Cellars

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