



2016 Arcturos Late Harvest Riesling

Black Star Farms is located on the same 45th Parallel that runs through some of the great wine regions of the world. Our unique “lake effect” climate allows us to produce classic varietal wines that truly express our dynamic wine region. Fruit is sourced from both the proprietor’s vineyards and from those of local grower partners on the Old Mission and Leelanau Peninsulas. This diversity allows us to obtain consistent quality across vintages.

Vintage Overview

The 2016 harvest was quite a relief after the prior two disappointing years. Overall it was a rewarding, but also somewhat challenging harvest. The grapes reached optimal ripeness, but with rain late in the growing season, deterioration became an issue. With judicious picking in the vineyard and lots of sorting at the wineries, the grapes fermented well and resulted in some truly expressive wines.

Tasting Notes

This Riesling is vibrantly alive, lush and highlighted with a balanced sweetness. Aromas of fresh fruit are followed by concentrated flavors of apples, apricots and peaches, then complemented by honey undertones.

Thoughts for Food

Think spicy ethnic cuisine, traditional German foods and Asian fusion. Pair it with pungent cheese like blue cheese, or traditional creme brulee for a truly decadent treat!

Blend: 100% Riesling
Appellation: Michigan
Winemaking:
Fermentation stopped by lowering to 32 degrees Fahrenheit, stainless steel aged.
Bottling Data: 5.4% residual sugar, 9.8% alcohol
Cases Produced: 7688

