



2017 Arcturos Dry 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 2017 harvest was one of those classic “up and down” growing seasons. It started strong with early bud break, however lack of adequate sun during the summer slowed down ripening. September thankfully brought sunshine and warmer temps and the fruit started to progress quickly, resulting in excellent early white fruit, then superb early reds. Rains during October caused a pause during harvest in order to let the late season reds and whites dry out. However, patience in the vineyard allowed these grapes to reach optimal ripeness producing some truly beautiful wines.

Tasting Notes

Rich and complex, this wine truly expresses its vintage and terroir. Flavors of peach, honey dew melon and ripe apple are complimented by nuances of honeysuckle and pear on the nose. Expect aromas and flavors to develop in the glass.

Thoughts for Food

Very versatile with light meats, fish and seafood. Try it with more delicately flavored cheese and dried fruit. It can also hold its own with Asian cuisine, mildly spiced curry and sushi.

Blend: 100% Riesling
Appellation: Michigan
Vineyard Source: 52%
Leelanau Peninsula, 48%
Old Mission Peninsula
Harvest Dates: Oct 17-
31 2017
Bottling Data: .55%
residual sugar, 12%
alcohol
Cases Produced: 1500

