



2019 Arcturos Semi-Dry Riesling



Blend: 100% Riesling
Appellation: Old Mission Peninsula
Vineyard Source: Montaña Rusa, Montague Estate
Harvest Date: 10/25-10/28/2019
Bottling Data: 1.4% residual sugar, 11.8% alcohol
Cases Produced: 829

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 2019 was another classic “up and down” growing season. It started slowly with a later bud break, but spring and early summer brought warmer temperatures resulting in good development. Cooler weather settled in early September and slowed things down. We avoided much of the rain that is often a challenge during this time of year. Diligent vineyard work in early October was necessary to keep vines clean. A mid-October warm-up and plenty of sunshine pushed the ripeness to necessary levels while keeping fruit free of fungal pressures. Early released white wines are showing well and should age nicely. While the reds will need a little more time in barrel before being released.

Tasting Notes

Wonderfully ripe flavors of white peach and pear are backed by crisp acidity and complemented by a hint of sweetness. Chemistry is just about perfect for this wine. The harmonizing result will please both the diner seeking the “right” food wine and the casual, sipping consumer!

Thoughts for Food

Spicy Thai or Indian cuisine, French and German classic dishes (where there is lots of cream or butter), or the umami-driven realms of charcuterie and aged cheeses.

