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Hermann J. Wiemer

VINEYARD

LATE HARVEST RIESLING 2020

This enticing rendition of Riesling is crafted in the traditional German Spätlese style, with moderate natural sweetness counterpoised by a bright, invigorating liveliness. In a yearly gamble against the weather, grapes for Spätlese wines are left to hang for a longer time on the vines, allowing them to develop riper flavor profiles. The later picking also increases must weight resulting in a more full-bodied wine. Spätlese wines have a greater intensity and strength than Kabinett-style wines, though are still the lightest of the late harvest wines. The outcome is a wine with an elegant yet luscious nose, followed by a generous palate of crisp ripe fruit and floral notes, lingering into a long, naturally sweet finish. Our exceptional late harvest wine pairs well with cheese and fruit, with lighter roasted or barbequed meats, or serves as a refreshing after-dinner wine.

Appellation:	Seneca Lake AVA
Estate Selection:	Josef, HJW, Magdalena, Julia
Harvest Dates:	September- 24, - October 23rd, 2020 6 pickings, Hand picked and sorted
Yield:	2.5-3 tons per acre
Brix at Harvest:	22.8°Bx
Residual Sugar:	5.2%
ABV:	9.5%
Vinification:	Whole cluster press, indigenous yeast fermentation 3 months, no fining or filtering additives, 25% Botrytis inclusion

Reviews & Ratings

90 points (2020) *Robert Parker's Wine Advocate*

94 points (2019) *Wine & Spirits Magazine*

92 points (2019) *Wine Enthusiast Magazine*

OUR FARMING & WINEMAKING PRACTICES

- As of 2004, we eliminated the use of herbicides
- Our core soil management techniques include the usage of organic compost and cover crops
- All estate fruit is hand-harvested and hand-sorted
- Our fermentations rely on indigenous yeasts
- We do not use fining or filtering additives
- Our sulfur usage is below certified organic levels (EU standard)

HERMANN J. WIEMER VINE NURSERY

Central to the care we take in our production is the HJW Vine Nursery. The nursery is a source of regional expertise and a platform for tailoring our vineyard approach with careful precision. It is a key link between our healthy soils, robust vines, and the excellence that we strive for in every wine.

Produced and bottled by Hermann J. Wiemer Vineyard

Seneca Lake AVA, Finger Lakes NY



Josef & Magdalena
Vineyards



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