





Blend: 100% Riesling Appellation: Michigan Vineyard Source: 80% Old Mission Peninsula, 20% Leelanau Peninsula Harvest Date: 10/13-11/2/2021 Bottling Data: 1.5% residual sugar, 11.3% alcohol Cases Produced: 1287

2021 Arcturos Semi-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 those of local grower partners on the Old Mission and Leelanau Peninsulas. This diversity allows us to obtain consistent guality across vintages.

Vintage Overview

The 2021 growing season was one we'd like to see every year if only that were possible. It was an excellent growing season, with a mild but sunny spring and plenty of sun and rain throughout the summer. Cooler weather settled in early September, but we still had plenty of sun to continue the ripening. We harvested fruit for the sparkling wines earlier this year than any previous season. We didn't get as much rain in the fall as we often do, so disease pressure remained low. October gave us plenty of sunshine, balanced with an adequate amount of rain to keep the vines healthy, which further helped in developing optimal ripeness. Early released white wines are showing bright fruit, beautiful aromatics, and a slightly softer mouthfeel. Red wines will generally be of good to very good quality and worth cellaring.

Tasting Notes

Beautiful aromas and flavors of white flowers and green pear are backed by a hint of sweetness, an opulent mouthfeel, and a bright finish.

Thoughts for Food

Try this wine with spicy Thai or Indian cuisine, classic French and German dishes (with lots of cream or butter), or the umami-driven realms of charcuterie and aged cheeses.

