





Blend: 100% Riesling Appellation: Michigan Vineyard Source: 86% Old Mission Peninsula, 14% Leelanau Peninsula Bottling Data: 6% residual sugar, 10% alcohol Cases Produced: 6885

## 2022 Arcturos Late Harvest Riesling

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

## Vintage Overview

The 2022 growing season was one we'd like to see every year. We had a mild but sunny spring, plenty of sun and heat throughout the summer, and a substantial drought extending from mid-June through mid-August. We harvested early for the sparkling wines, and that fruit showed great development and chemistry. We had little rain in September, so disease pressure remained lower than usual until mid-October. We were burdened with more rain than was ideal for mid-season harvesting. Fortunately, most of the sensitive varieties were already in the winery. Our vineyard crews' dedication to canopy management is a big reason we get the quality fruit we do, even during challenging conditions.

## **Tasting Notes**

This Riesling is vibrantly alive, lush, and highlighted with a balanced sweetness. Enjoy fresh apricots, candy peach rings, and white blossoms on the nose followed by notes of white peach, candied lemon peel, and undertones of honey on the palate.

## Thoughts for Food

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

