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Bowers Harbor Vineyards

Old Mission Peninsula, Michigan
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Whaleback Riesling

The Wine

Sweet, succulent, and enticing, our Whaleback Riesling joins our family of Rieslings as an elegant expression of iced wine. This unique method of extracting the juice from frozen grapes yields a juice so pure and honeyed from the natural sugars that the resulting wine is exquisitely sweet. The Whaleback Vineyard is situated on the Leelanau Peninsula, perched on an iconic bluff overlooking Lake Michigan and the Manitou Islands.

DID YOU KNOW?

Traditional Ice wine is sought out for its rarity and uniquely light and pure body. Fermentation takes place in stainless steel tanks where the yeasts perform their magic on the highly concentrated juice to transform it into an almost irresistible libation! Our "iced wine" is a simpler and more cost-effective method of producing this sought-after product.

The Grapes

These Riesling grapes from the Whaleback vineyard (named for the contour of the topography) enjoy extremely close proximity to the big lake, keeping spring frosts at bay as well as some fall episodes. The vineyard boasts sandy loam soil, very rocky and with just the right amount of clay to hold moisture and mitigate the need for irrigation. Glimpses of this vineyard can be had from the Leelanau Conservancy Whaleback Natural Area hiking trail. These grapes matured into November to coax out the full ripeness and minerality. It takes about 3 times the amount of fruit to produce an iced wine, in comparison to our other Rieslings.

TECHNICAL DATA

Varietal: 100% Riesling
Vintage: Non
Appellation: Leelanau Peninsula

Case Production: 162
pH/Residual Sugar: 9%
ABV: 12%

TASTING NOTES

Candied pineapple on the nose with a hint of freesia, following through with honeyed apricot on the palate.

How to taste:

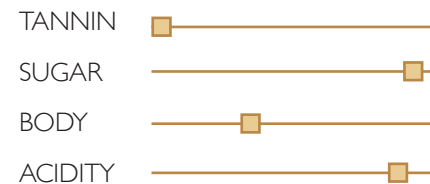
- 1 Look at the appearance:



- 2 Identify aromas and flavors



- 3 Determine the profile



- 4 What to Pair It With!

Panna-cotta with fresh raspberry sauce; soft white cheeses

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