

2022

BILLSBORO WINERY

RIESLING

Sawmill Creek Vineyards

FINGER LAKES



TASTING NOTES

Rich and expressive with aromas of green papaya, apricot, and lime. Vibrant and bold.

Best served chilled from 42°-46°F.

VINTAGE NOTES

Winter 2021-2022 was marked by a few extremely cold nights (below -5°F) which caused some bud damage across the region. Spring stayed cool enough to keep the buds from opening too soon and was drier than normal which led into a hot and sunny summer (much of July and August qualified as drought in the region). This dry spell kept berry size down, which along with the winter damage contributed to diminished yields. Quality was impressive, and grapes ripened ahead of usual expectations. Harvest kicked into high gear in early September as damp, misty days threatened the ideal growing season and brought urgency to avoid a repeat of 2018 and 2021. The good news was that grapes were in great condition after the summer and by October the skies cleared and what remained out in the vineyard enjoyed an unprecedented stretch of gorgeous warm, sunny weather that lasted through November. The 2022 growing season ultimately racked up 2632 growing degree days and gave us a stellar crop.

WINEMAKING NOTES

Machine harvested on September 26th at 18 Brix, the grapes were destemmed and pressed with 4 hours of skin contact. The must was cold settled, racked, inoculated with RHST yeast, chaptalized to 20.5 Brix and tank fermented at 59°F. Fermentation was stopped by chilling on November 8th at approximately 4% residual sugar. The wine was racked on December 13th, subsequently filtered, then bottled on February 8th, 2023.

VINEYARD NOTES

Sawmill Creek Vineyards in Hector, NY is located along the southeast corner of Seneca Lake. Its steep-sided, southwest facing vineyards are widely recognized as among the best in the Finger Lakes. We thank the Hazlitt family for their dedication to sustainable farming and passion for winegrowing.

TECHNICAL NOTES

pH	2.88	RS	3.45%
TA	9.8 g/l	ABV	9.9%
Cases Produced	375		

100% Riesling
100% Sawmill Creek Vineyards

