

KEUKA LAKE VINEYARDS

FINE ESTATE WINES

2018 Dry Riesling

Varietal Composition: 100% Riesling

Vineyards: 41% Evergreen Lek, 34% Falling Man,
14% Ernesto Lucie, 11% Goldman

Final Analysis

Alcohol: 9.2%

Residual Sugar: 7.9 g/L

Final pH: 3.03

Final TA: 8.4 g/L

Date Bottled: July 1, 2019

Total Production: 305 cases

Harvest Data

Ernesto Lucie & Goldman

Harvested: October 13, 2018

Brix: 16.6

Evergreen Lek

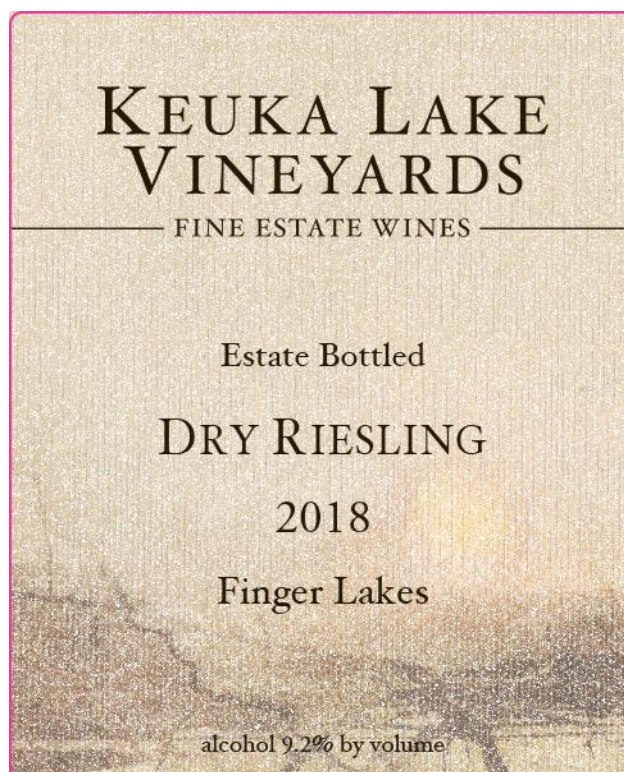
Harvested: October 17, 2018

Brix: 17.4

Falling Man

Harvested: October 18, 2018

Brix: 16.8



The Story

There are seven mature estate Riesling vineyards at KLV – Goldman, Evergreen Lek, Falling Man, Ernesto Lucie, 20 Rows, Upper Eastside, and Lower Eastside. Every spring, the winemaker and owner blind taste all of the vineyard Riesling lots to determine which vineyards will be bottled with their own label. Once the team determines the vineyard bottlings, trials on the remaining vineyard lots are assembled and tasted to determine the final blends for the Dry and Semi-Dry Riesling. For the Dry Riesling, we look to blend toward a style that is more austere and mineral driven.

Vinification

Both the Evergreen Lek and Falling Man fruit was treated similarly - after pressing, the juice was allowed to settle for 48 hours then both racked juices were inoculated with RHST and fermented for three to four weeks at below 66°F. The fruit from Ernesto Lucie and Goldman vineyards was field blended and pressed, and the resulting juice was settled for three days before inoculation with CEG; fermentation lasted for one month at temperatures less than 70°F. The wine was naturally cold stabilized by winter cellar temperatures, and is vegan friendly.

Vineyards

The Evergreen Lek vineyard is one of our oldest Riesling sites, with just over 1½ acres planted in 1999. This site, located on the west side of Keuka Lake, consists of soils mixed of slate and glacial deposits. The Ernesto Lucie vineyard is just opposite the road to the Evergreen Lek and is predominately loam-based with small stone fragments, and is not as steeply-sloped as its neighbor. Falling Man vineyard is just over one acre of Riesling planted on the western slope of Keuka Lake. This vineyard receives its name from its extreme slope and tortuous climb back up the hill. Resting on extremely well-drained soils made up of outwash glacial material, the vineyard has varying and irregular topography, which can be seen very clearly when driving a tractor on the 30% slope. The Goldman vineyard is just over one acre and was the first Riesling planted by Mel and Dorothee in 1998.