



## 2013 Gewurztraminer

*VQA Niagara Peninsula*

### GROWING SEASON AND HARVEST

- ❖ Weather conditions were quite variable but on average, temperatures were close to normal and precipitation ranged from normal to a bit wet.
- ❖ Spring was cool and wet ending with some isolated late frosts and then moving quickly into hot weather.
- ❖ June and July were both warm, with humid periods. August brought more stable weather, warm to normal temperatures and less rain and the grapes ripened more or less on schedule.
- ❖ September started with some spotty hail causing some minor damage to grapes but progressed into a pleasant, dry month which set the stage for harvest.
- ❖ Temperatures through September and October were slightly higher than normal. It was a relatively large crop and the harvest window for all regions stretched well into November for many growers and wineries.
- ❖ 2013 was an interesting year with some significant weather variations through the growing season. The variability of weather may well highlight the unique character of individual appellations, and will certainly differentiate wines from specific vineyards.- VQA 2013



### WINEMAKING TECHNIQUES

- ❖ Sourced from high quality Ontario vineyards
- ❖ Harvest: late September
- ❖ Fermented in stainless steel for 12 days
- ❖ Blended and aged solely in stainless steel
- ❖ Cold stabilized and bottled to preserve fruit characters

### WINEMAKER'S TASTING NOTES

This wine has a touch of sweetness that helps to balance the ripe fruit flavours present in the wine. Notes of lychee, peaches and floral tones are present on the nose followed by a rich palate of tropical fruit with a medium spiciness and a lingering finish.

### FOOD PAIRINGS

Pairs well with pad thai and mild curry dishes. Or try with coconut shrimp.

### TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol: 12%

#### AVAILABILITY

Winery Boutique

#### PRICE

\$13.95

#### SUGAR

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