2023 SAPERAVI

WINE CELLARS

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100% Saperavi

Vineyard: Beckhorn Vineyard

Vineyard location: East side of Seneca Lake

Soil: Howard gravelly loam

Vineyard specs: Glyphosate free farming, cane pruned, VSP, majority organic sprays

Harvested October 13th

15-day inoculated yeast fermentation in 1-ton bins with twice daily punch-downs

Native malolactic fermentation in 228-liter neutral French oak barrels

Aged for 16 months with monthly bâtonnage for 10 months

Unfined & unfiltered

Certified New York Sustainable Winegrowing

Vegan

Brix: 22.0°

pH: 3.59

TA: 7.3 g/L

RS: 0.07

ABV: 12.5

Bottled: 2/19/2025

Cases Produced: 45

Sourced from our longtime grower partner, Beckhorn Vineyards, this saperavi is a small planting on Howard gravelly loam soils, a soil series common throughout our cellar. This vineyard is planted exclusively to Eastern European varieties, which makes it unique to the region. Originally hailing from the country of Georgia, the saperavi grape is one several in the world classified as teinturier, where the pulp of the berry is pigmented, making the characteristic dark and opaque hue one of the main features of the wine. Another unsubtle feature is the grapes' natural acidity; it can yield some very intensely acidic wines and with some lengthy barrel and bottle age, those acids soften up over time, making this variety incredibly age-worthy in bottle.





