EROICA®



TA: 0.92 g/100 mL

PH: 3.18

ALCOHOL: 8%

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 29 g/100 mL

BLEND:

100% Riesling

horse heaven hills 2019 Ice Wine

VINTAGE NOTES

- Winter temperatures were average preceding the 2019 growing season resulting in little to no vine damage and bud break occurred normally.
- The abundance of snow in February provided ample soil moisture. Warm spring temperatures created excellent conditions for canopy growth and early fruit development.
- Summertime temperatures were mild followed by cooler fall temperatures which were ideal for maintaining acidity and developing beautiful fruit flavors and aromas.

VINEYARD NOTES

- Eroica begins in the vineyard with Ernst Loosen and Chateau Ste. Michelle winemaker David Rosenthal collaborating on site selection.
- They work with vineyard managers to adjust yields and manage fruit exposure to prolong the ripening season for added flavor development.
- Grapes were harvested from our Horse Heaven Vineyard, located in the Horse Heaven Hills adjacent to the Columbia River.

HISTORY NOTES

- Launched in 1999, Eroica is a labor of love for two of the world's great Riesling producers.
- One from the Old World, Dr. Loosen estate of Germany, and the other from the New World, Chateau Ste. Michelle of Washington state.
- Named for Beethoven's Third Symphony, Eroica reflects variety and site from Washington State and elegance from its German inspiration.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Frozen grapes were picked at 36.9 degrees Brix.
- The hard, frozen grapes were pressed immediately to release only the sweet, concentrated juice, while the water stays behind in the form of ice.
- The juice is highly concentrated in sugar, acidity, and flavor. This combination yields less than half the normal juice volume.

RECOMMENDED FOOD PAIRINGS

· Fresh fruits, custards, soft cheeses

TASTING NOTES

"The Eroica Riesling Ice Wine is a luscious, ultra-ripe wine with concentrated aromas and flavors of apricot and honey. The concentrated acidity balances the wine leaving a bright, long finish. This wine is made in partnership with German winemaker Ernst Loosen, famed for his German Rieslings and Eiswein." - David Rosenthal