



TA: 0.88 g/100 mL

PH: 3.20

ALCOHOL: 12.5%

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 0.82 g/100 mL

BLEND: 100% Riesling

CASE PRODUCTION:
1014

COLUMBIA VALLEY

2021 XLC Dry Riesling

VINTAGE NOTES

- 2021 was a very warm growing season which resulted in intensely concentrated flavors in the wines.
- Our typical cool nights during harvest helped us retain the wonderful natural acidity Washington is known for.
- The 2021 season produced red wines with classic varietal character and dense in concentration and white wines with bright vibrancy.

VINEYARD NOTES

- Ernst Loosen and Chateau Ste. Michelle winemakers collaborate on site selection, irrigation management, crop levels and canopy management.
- Vineyard managers work to adjust yields and manage fruit exposure to prolong the ripening season for added flavor development.
- Riesling for the XLC came from Evergreen Vineyard in Washington's Ancient Lakes AVA.

HISTORY NOTES

- Launched in 1999, Eroica is a labor of love for two of the world's great Riesling producers.
- 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 bold flavors from Washington and refined elegance from German inspiration.

WINEMAKING NOTES

- Grapes were harvested at night when the vineyard temperatures were coldest to preserve the fresh acidity.
- Berries went direct to press, avoiding the possible loss of freshness caused by a crusher/destemmer.
- Eroica XLC was crafted in an upright oak cask with native yeast fermentation and aged for 19 months on full lees (the spent yeast).

TASTING NOTES

Supple texture, remarkable depth and complex flavors are the hallmarks of Eroica XLC. Extended Lees Contact (XLC) is a modern interpretation of classic, Old World, dry-style Riesling. This wine is crafted in an upright oak cask and aged for 19 months on the full lees (spent yeast).