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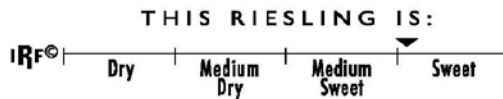
2008 **LOT 49** Riesling

The 2008 Growing Season

The mild winter of 2008 led to very warm early spring conditions. In early May, an extended period of cooler weather set in and persisted through the end of June slowing development. The summer months set in and maintained consistent warm and dry conditions followed up by a cool September. In October, daytime temperatures warmed to well above average combined with cool evenings resulting in exceptional ripening conditions. Overall, the 2008 vintage was an excellent white wine growing year on Old Mission Peninsula with full-flavored fruit balanced with brilliant acidity, crispness and wonderful depth of flavors.

Technical Data

Year:	2008
Appellation:	Old Mission peninsula, Michigan USA
Varietal:	100% Riesling (Clone 49)
Vineyard:	"Lot 49" Hillside Riesling/Planted 2003
Cases Produced:	364 (6/750ml Cases)
Total Alcohol:	11.0%
Harvest Date:	October 27, 2008
Harvest Sugar:	21.4° Brix
Residual Sugar:	42 g/l
Total Acidity:	8.13 g/l
pH:	3.00 pH
Bottling Date:	September 5, 2009
Wine Maker:	Sean O'Keefe
Release Date:	September 25, 2008
UPC Code:	0 83161-20092 2



Winemaker Notes

This wine was made with minimal intervention by the winemaker: it was hand-picked, whole-cluster pressed, cool fermented in stainless steel, and left on the fine lees until bottling. No enzymes, nutrients or fining agents were used in hopes of preserving the pure expression of the fruit. If cellared properly, this wine will continue to evolve and age with grace for many years to come.