

Tech Sheet

Seyval Blanc 2008

Grapes and vineyards. Seyval Blanc 100%, Hunt Country Vineyards

Vinification. Hunt Country Vineyards Aging. 2 months in new French oak barrels Residual Sugar. 1.0% Alcohol. 12% by Vol. Total Acidity. 8.7 g/L pH. 3.3 Bottled. May 14, 2009 Production. 388 cases (estate-bottled) Appellation. Finger Lakes



A little history by owner Art Hunt.

The Seyval Blanc grape was bred in France in about 1920 by Bertille Seyve (1864-1939) and his sons and was originally given the unromantic name "Seyve-Villard 5276". It is a complex genetic cross between two French-American grapes developed by the most prolific French hybridizer, Albert Seibel. Joyce and I planted about 3 acres of Seyval Blanc grapes in 1984 and have added another acre since. It is a cold hardy and productive variety which usually requires fruit thinning to maximize the quality of the fruit and the wine.

Comments by director of winemaking Jonathan Hunt.

The little-known *Seyval Blanc* grape consistently produces a dry white wine with lovely fruit and light mineral flavors, reminiscent of Chablis. The 2008 growing season produced a vibrant crop. We added just a touch of oak from new French oak barrels, to highlights those flavors. It will pair nicely with herb-seasoned or barbecued poultry, light fish and seafood. Our Seyvals have been honored with 6 Gold and Double Gold medals since 2004.