

Tech Sheet

Valvin Muscat 2007

**Grapes and vineyards.** Valvin Muscat 100% (Hunt Country Vineyards) **Harvested.** October 26, 2007 **Brix at harvest.** 22°

Vinification. Hunt Country Vineyards
Winemaker. Christopher Wirth
Aging. Stainless steel
Residual Sugar. 1.7%
Alcohol. 12% by Vol.
Total Acidity. 7.7 g/L
pH. 3.1
Bottled. February 26, 2008
Production. 283 cases (estate-grown & -bottled)
Appellation. Finger Lakes



Major Awards.

GOLD, 2008 Great Lakes Great Wine Competition

## Comments, by winemaker Christopher Wirth.

Years ago in California, I made my first Muscat wine and instantly loved it. This Hunt Country Valvin Muscat is like falling in love again. Our small block of Valvin Muscat grapes ripened perfectly, and the wine developed beautifully with the least amount of work on my part. Muscat wines are prized for their fragrant floral character, and this Valvin Muscat from the Hunts' farm has a gorgeous orange blossom aroma, a hint of sweetness and a long, luxurious finish.

The Valvin Muscat grape – a complex hybrid developed at Cornell University in the 1960s – has a long and distinguished ancestry. The Muscat (or Moscato) is believed to be one of the oldest domesticated grapes in the world, having been cultivated in Mesopotamia and the Nile Valley as long ago as 3000 B.C.