



2023 KERNER

VINTAGE NOTES

FOLLOWING THE DIFFICULT AND LATE VINTAGE OF 2022, 2023 WAS A “BREEZE” COMPARATIVELY. WITH RELATIVELY AVERAGE BUDBREAK AND BLOOM DATES, THE REST OF THE SUMMER PROVIDED AMPLE WARMTH, WITH A WARMER THAN AVERAGE AUGUST WHICH ACCELERATED RIPENING AND PUSHED VERAISON INTO GEAR. LATE SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER DELIVERED A SERIES OF RAIN EVENTS, ALLOWING FOR SMALL BREAKS IN THE PICKING SCHEDULE AND A LONGER, DRAWN-OUT HARVEST. THE 2023 WINES HAVE BEAUTIFULLY EVOLVED TANNINS THAT CONTINUE TO MATURE, MAKING FOR POWERFUL YET BALANCED WINES TO COMPLEMENT OUR CLASSIC JOHAN SALINITY.

PRODUCTION NOTES

ORIGINALLY COMING FROM GERMANY, AND THE OFFSPRING OF THE NOBLE RIESLING GRAPE, KERNER IS AN AROMATIC WHITE VARIETY CAPABLE OF PRODUCING COMPELLING WHITE WINES. WITH INTENSELY FLORAL AROMATICS AND PLENTY OF CITRUS NOTES ON THE PALATE, THE WINE BOASTS BRIGHT ACIDITY AND BALANCE FROM OUR SITE. KERNER IS NEWER TO THE JOHAN REPERTOIRE, WITH THE 2023 VINTAGE BEING ONLY THE THIRD VARIETAL WINE WE’VE MADE FROM THIS GRAPE. WE FOOT-TREAD THE GRAPES AND ALLOWED THEM TO SOAK ON SKINS FOR A FEW HOURS BEFORE PRESSING, THEN FERMENTED AND AGED THE WINE IN BARREL ON ORIGINAL LEES FOR 11 MONTHS. ENJOY THIS WINE IN CELEBRATION OF THAT FIRST SPRING BLOSSOM AND GET EXCITED FOR THE BEAUTIFUL BURST OF SPRING AND SUMMER WEATHER AHEAD!

PRODUCTION: 166 CASES PRODUCED

ALCOHOL: 13.5%

PH: 3.29

TA: 7.5 G/L