



CHATEAU GRAND TRAVERSE
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20 Block Twelve 17 RIESLING



We captured the essence of Riesling in this palate pleasing, off-dry style specialty white wine. By cool fermenting and crafting in stainless steel, this wine offers a combination of mineral, fruit-forward aromatics, delicate citrus, ripe melon, pineapple, and viscosity. This well-made, small production wine exemplifies our 43 year commitment to growing Riesling wine on Old Mission Peninsula.

WINEMAKING

The grapes were hand-picked at 21.1° Brix and were loaded whole cluster into the press and allowed to soak for three hours before pressing into juice. The Riesling juice was immediately pumped into a smaller stainless steel tank and cool fermented at a steady 55° F for two weeks. Fruit ester compounds and flavors are better retained versus fermenting at higher temperatures. Ultimately, we arrested fermentation at 1.8 g/L residual sugar, considered by our winemaker to be the optimum balance of flavors, sweetness, and acidity. The finished wine was further cool aged in stainless steel before bottling.

VINEYARD

Old Mission Peninsula is a natural home for Riesling since it prefers protected, cooler climate conditions. Our 45° N Parallel climate allows for Riesling to slow ripen while maintaining the balance of remarkable flavors and dazzling natural acidity. The grapes for our 2016 “Block 12” Riesling were picked by hand from our high bluff “Bailiwick Field” late in the season after a long and warm season. The grapes from this fields have consistently garnered international awards as well as critical acclaim. The well-draining soils, breezy and elevated environment is ideally suited for growing premium quality, cool climate Riesling.

BLOCK TWELVE

TECHNICAL DATA	
Year	2017
Appellation	Old Mission Peninsula
Varietals	Riesling
Vineyard	Baliwick
Soil Type	Sandy, Loam, Glacial Till
Harvest Sugar	21.8° Brix
Residual Sugar	1.2° Brix
Total Acidity	6.5 g/liter
pH	3.21
Alcohol	11.00%
Winemaker	Bernd Croissant
Bottling Date	7/3/2018
Cases Produced	363
UPC Code	0 83161-20092 2