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Dr. Konstantin Frank
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New York's most award-winning winery since 1962

Winery Background

Dr. Konstantin Frank ignited the "Vinifera Revolution", a movement that forever changed the course of wine growing in the Finger Lakes and the United States. Dr. Frank's vision, knowledge and determination are credited with elevating the New York wine industry from a state of happy mediocrity to a level that today commands world attention. Located on Keuka lake in the Finger Lakes region, Dr. Konstantin Frank Wines features some of the oldest vinifera vines in the United States and continues to produce wines of distinction and quality.

About the Variety

One of the oldest varieties known to man, dating back thousands of years. Pronounced *er-ka-tsee-tely*, this grape comes originally from the Republic of Georgia. It is grown in cool climate regions mainly in Eastern Europe. It's a very versatile variety able to produce still, sparkling, sweet and fortified wines.

Vinification

The grapes were picked in the early morning and gently pressed to preserve the delicate fruit characters. 95% of the must was fermented at cool temperatures in stainless steel tanks. The rest was fermented and aged in seasoned French oak barrels to add complexity and enhance the mouth feel without the addition of oaky flavours

The Wine

Description: Medium intensity with dominant characters of lemongrass, lime rind, subtle honeysuckle and elegant mineral undertones. Despite being a fresh crisp light style, the wine has a very good palate weight with a textural mouthfeel and lengthy finish.

Style: Dry with crisp textural mouth feel

Body: Light bodied

Vintage Influence: Excellent acidity and great balance of flavors

Cellaring: Drink now or cellar until 2019

Food Pairing: Pad Thai, sushi, shellfish

Analysis: 12%, Acidity: 0.81 g/100mL, pH: 3.49 Sugar: 0.4%

