2017 ISLAND VIEW PINOT BLANC OLD MISSION PENINSULA. MICHIGAN

THE SHORT VERSION:

Fresh apple and pear

THE LONG VERSION:

Pinot Blanc Island View Vinevard

THE VINEYARD:

The Island View Vineyard is Michigan's oldest Pinot Blanc planting dating back to 1995 –last century! There are 1100 plants farmed under the watchful eye and expert hands of Werner Kuehnis.

Island View Vineyard

APPELLATION: Old Mission Peninsula

VARIETIES PLANTED: Pinot Blanc

ACREAGE: 1 YEAR PLANTED: 1995 **GROWN BY: Werner and Margrit Kuehnis**

This Pinot Blanc is changing the wine world's perception of the grape. Ours is not the bland blender most people associate with Old Mission Peninsula classic Pinot Blanc. Instead, our vines release a wonderful aromatic

presence of fresh apples and pears. The vines are thinned by hand 6 times throughout the growing season to ensure that every cluster gets the proper amount of sunlight and every shoot is carefully positioned so that the leaves can receive the maximum amount of light as well. The fruit is hand-harvested by friends and family in a joyous celebration of wine, work, and food.

Once in the winery we quickly press to minimize skin contact and reduce the potential for bitterness. The juice ferments for about 8 weeks in cool oval shaped tanks. These tanks help to incorporate the yeast into the flavor profile which adds weight and roundness to the palate. Once fermentation is complete, we continue to age the wine for another 9 months with the yeast. This protects the delicate aromas and allows all the flavor components to meld together. The result is a complex and rich white wine.

WINE GEEK TECHNO SPEAK:

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.6 g/L PH: 3.19 TITRATABLE ACIDITY: 7.1 g/L ALCOHOL: 12.5 % CASES BOTTLED: 320 AGING WINDOW: 3-5 years

