

# TIEN

## DESSERT APPLE WINE

### Grand Traverse County



This dessert apple wine was made from a blend of cider apples, primarily Wickson and Harrison, but including over a dozen others, all from the Engle Ridge Orchard site.

After pressing, the juice is partially frozen to concentrate rich flavors. While this is a similar technique to an ice wine, it technically isn't one, because our method did not involve freezing in nature. The result is a sweet but structured dessert wine.

Tien, while classified as a dessert apple wine, reflects the nature of ice wine. It has an intense apple fruit quality with knee-quivering intensity and lush apple sweetness. This wine is perfect with caramelized desserts, foie gras, and intense soft cheese. A little goes a long way.

The wine is named after the Tien Shan mountain range in Kazakhstan, the evolutionary birthplace of modern apples.

## THE ORCHARDS

### Engle Ridge Farms

Appellation: Grand Traverse County

Varieties: Riesling, Chardonnay,  
Gewürztraminer, Cabernet Franc

Acreage: 11

Year Planted: 2009

Planted by: Ken and Jan Engle



### wine specs

RS: 170 g/L

PH: 3.38

ABV: 11.5%

63 cases

Aged: Stainless

Aging window:

5+ years