

2011 GEM



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DAMIANI WINE CELLARS
500 ML ————— 19% ALC/VOL

WINEMAKING

Harvest Date: 10/15/2011 Harvest Brix: 22.6°
Total Acidity: 3.0g/L pH: 3.70
Alcohol: 19.0% Residual Sugar: 18.0%
Unfined Bottling Date: 6/25/2012
Unfiltered Cases Produced: 37

VINTAGE NOTES

The spring of 2011, and the beginning of our growing season started quite wet, but the months ahead remained warm and relatively dry. This balance in the weather patterns created great growing conditions for our grapes, with a decent amount of rain and cautiously warm temperatures, the grapes grew and developed near perfectly. With the increase in rainfall during September came the challenge of harvesting before the grapes took on too much water - which we conquered! Wines from the 2011 vintage are graceful, balanced, and bursting with bright acidity.

VITICULTURE & VINEYARD SITE

Sunrise Hill Vineyard, a picturesque landscape located on the western side of Cayuga Lake, is owned and operated by Bob and Kathy Ruis. Here, 12 acres of eastern-facing vinifera grapes are grown. The combination of soil, location and climate produce grapes that are packed with bright, fruit-focused flavors with just a hint of mineral and spice.

VARIETAL

Fortified Gewürztraminer with unfermented Gewürztraminer juice added after cellaring. Cellared for 7 months in neutral French oak barrels.

TASTING NOTES & FOOD PAIRING

Drink - 2027+. Serving Temp: 47 - 50° f
Gem is our very first Dessert wine; a fortified Gewürztraminer with fresh Gewürz juice added, made in the style of a Pineaux des Charantes. The color of rich honeyed gold fairly glows, begging you inhale its aroma and palate of creamy vanilla, apricots and orange zest marmalade. The finish draws out on your tongue with dancing notes of caramelized sugar and candied ginger!

Food pairing pending



DESSERT WINE

Celebrating the unique microclimate and dramatic landscape that is New York's Finger Lakes, we produce wines of sensuous complexity, showing distinct character and expression of the land.

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GOVERNMENT WARNING: (1) ACCORDING TO THE SURGEON GENERAL, WOMEN SHOULD NOT DRINK ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES DURING PREGNANCY BECAUSE OF THE RISK OF BIRTH DEFECTS. (2) CONSUMPTION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IMPAIRS YOUR ABILITY TO DRIVE A CAR OR OPERATE MACHINERY, AND MAY CAUSE HEALTH PROBLEMS.



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