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2013

## “LAIKA” GRÜNER VELTLINER

### NOTES

Why Grüner Veltliner? We like to think of Grüner Veltliner as the missing link between Riesling and Sauvignon Blanc. It has the acidity and longevity of the former and the wild herbaceousness and rounded mouth feel of the former. It is the premier grape variety of Austria (along with Riesling) and in the best vintages can even rival Cru Burgundies and Chablis in blind tastings. Whatever manifestation it may take here in Northern Michigan, we are proud to have it on our roster, umlauts and all!

### 2013 VINTAGE

This is our fifth vintage of Grüner Veltliner. It is a relatively early-ripening variety, so we picked it in early October when its flavor was at its peak with ideal acidity to keep it fresh and lively. It was fermented in stainless steel then racked into a large German Oak Stück to age on the lees in order to round out the mid-palate.

### TECHNICAL DATA

Year:	2013
Appellation:	100% Old Mission Peninsula (Estate Bottled)
Variety:	100% Grüner
Vineyard:	52% Bailiwick Vineyard, 48% Grishaw Vineyard
Soil:	Sandy Loam/Glacial Till
Harvest Dates:	October 14 - 15, 2013
Harvest Analysis:	Bailiwick: 15.2° Brix, pH 3.08, Total Acidity 5.3 g/l Grishaw: 20.8° Brix, pH 3.30, TA 5.3 g/l
Bottling Date:	June 11, 2014
Case Production:	432 Cases
Bottling Analysis:	Alcohol: 11.7% Residual Sweetness: 2.0 g/l RS Total Acidity: 5.9 g/l pH: 3.11

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