

HB Wine Merchants presents wines from: **Cave Spring Vineyard**

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Cave Spring Riesling Niagara Peninsula DRY

VQA Niagara Peninsula



Brand Highlights

- Founded in 1996 by the Pennachetti Family and Angelo Pavan, childhood friend of Len Pennachetti. The estate is managed by Len and his younger brother, Tom
- Cave Spring is a leading grower of premium wines that reflect the distinct terroir of the Niagara Peninsula, one of three Designated Viticulture Areas within Ontario
- 100% Riesling harvested from selected vineyard sites in the western stretches of the Niagara Peninsula, lying at varying elevations along the slopes of the Niagara Escarpment and nearby shoreline of Lake Ontario. At these sites, clay-loam soils laced with limestone and shale combine with moderating onshore breezes to deliver a dry style of Riesling defined by its vibrant citrus fruit and steely, mineral feel.

The Estate

Named by 18th century European settlers for the limestone caves and mineral springs located throughout the property, Cave Spring Vineyard is situated on a gently sloping hillside of the Niagara Escarpment known as the Beamsville Bench. The Niagara Escarpment is a tall cliff left behind by the glaciers that formed Niagara Falls. Founded in 1996 but dates back to 1978 when father & son, John & Len Pennachetti, planted some of the region's first vinifera vines in the Niagara Peninsula. Recognizing the possibilities, they sought out and planted noble European varieties they believed would best capture the area's full promise—in particular, Riesling vines purchased from the German nursery, Weis Reben, on the Mosel. The Weis family began exporting its Riesling Clone 21 to Canada and established vineyards in Canada. Daughter Anne Weis came to Canada to work for her father's business, met and married Len's brother, Tom Pennachetti, and the wine family connection was born. Cave Spring now encompasses over 166 acres (158 of which are at CSV proper) and 40 acres under single long-term contract grower (Andrewes Vineyard). More than half the plantings are Riesling.

Wine Making

Cool temperature fermentation in stainless steel over a six week period using 80% selected and 20% indigenous yeasts; four months on the fine lees prior to bottling.

Tasting Notes

Aromas of tangerine, lemon meringue, white flower and biscuit notes of allspice, flint and almond extract. The palate is dry and medium-bodied, rich with cantaloupe and clementine notes, ripe grapefruit and Bosc pear fruit. Bright, saline acidity mesh effortlessly with the wine's stony texture. Finish is supple and concentrated, with lasting notes of green apple, honeycomb, ginger.

Press

- ♦ 2023 Vintage **87 Points**—Wine Spectator
- ♦ 2019 Vintage **90 points**—Wine Enthusiast [EDITOR'S CHOICE]
- ♦ 2019 Vintage **89 Points**—Wine Spectator

Product Specifications

- Pack: 200mLx4/6 [Pop Cap]
- UPC 4-pack: 7 79334 41119 5
- UPC 200ml: 7 79334 21119 1
- 4-Pack Case: 4.2" x 4.3" x 7.7"