

# 2019 Late Harvest Gewürztraminer

## Honey B Vineyard

Varietal Blend	100% Gewürztraminer
Harvest Date	November 14, 2019
Oak Profile	100% neutral French oak
Bottling Date	March 10, 2020
Production	168 cases (12 x 375ml)
Key Aromas	Ripe Pear, White Raisin, Baked Apple, Ripe Peach, Marmalade
Key Flavors	Vanilla, Candied Orange, Shortbread Cookie, Apricot Jam, Honey
Mouthfeel	Medium bodied with mid-palate weight and a crisp, clean finish
Allocation	Public
Winery Direct	\$35.00



Late harvest wines captured my attention shortly after I settled on making bubbles. I thought a lot about how a meal is constructed and that flow, from start to finish, can be accentuated by the proper wines. Bubbles freshen up the palate and usually kick off the meal. Late harvest wines are unique because they can work as either the starter or the closer. I appreciate that flexibility!

This wine is nostalgic as my father can recall sitting on his grandfather's lap while enjoying a sip of an off-dry Gewürztraminer. I was interested in the challenge of creating a late harvest wine that wasn't too sweet. Yes, it has residual sugar, but there is also enough acidity to keep the wine from being cloying.

Our version is floral and spicy with a nice mid-palate weight that isn't too syrupy while the finish is crisp and long. Served chilled, this wine works very well with creamy cheeses or fruit based desserts.

~ Michael Baldacci

*The 2019 vintage marked my eighth harvest and it felt celebratory! Abundant rainfall through the winter and early spring meant our soils were finally able to move minerals and other elements down into the root zone. The summer was even with no heat spikes and this led into a stable fall where our pick dates were largely condensed to October. This hang time produced lots with balanced acidity and fermentations that were even and uncomplicated. The wines from the 2019 vintage have a natural richness and texture with supple tannins and expansiveness on the palate. The wines feel special and accessible in their youth but also marked by power and depth which indicates great aging potential.*

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- Merlot
- Pinot Noir
- Syrah
- Gewurtztraminer

