



Finger Lakes, New York



The Martini Family

There are a small number of producers and families who were integral in championing New York's Finger Lakes winemaking revolution. One of those families is the Martinis of Anthony Road Wine Company. What's in a name? Well, in this case, it's the address to where John and Ann Martini moved in 1973. They left their Baltimore home to establish roots along Seneca Lake, a rather auspicious grape-growing microclimate. Without any agricultural background whatsoever, they decided to plant five acres, and thus began their life of wine.

Five acres gave way to 30, and the entire family was eventually brought into the business to maintain it. Each member has a significant role in running the operation. The three estate vineyards—Martini, Nutt Road and the teaching vineyards—are all managed by Peter Martini, and the vineyards are home to the grapes that have really put the Finger Lakes on the wine map: Riesling, Chardonnay, Pinot Noir, Pinot Gris, Lemberger, Merlot, Sauvignon Blanc and Cabernet Franc. Rarely is it possible to find wines that can hold their own with some of the heavyweight wines of the world at such affordable price points.

SCORE HIGHLIGHTS

Dry Riesling

2021 96Pts., #10 of the Best 50 Wines of 2023, VinePair

90 Pts. James Suckling

2020 93 Pts. James Suckling

