



## ICE WINE Riesling 2002

A bright golden colour with small, lazy effervescence, due to the viscosity, alludes to the dense yet elegant nature of Pillitteri Estates Winery's first Sparkling Icewine. Additionally, it is Niagara's first Sparkling Icewine to be vinified from Riesling. Nuances of fresh peach, apricots and aromatic flowers such as Freesia and Rose petals fill the glass while the palate displays overwhelming complexity of additional fruit and floral characters with an explosive mousse. It is the pinnacle of luxury as the sweet rich mouth feel of the wine transcends to delicacy due to the high yet balanced acidity giving the wine ability to pair well with any dessert and the ability to age. The extensively long finish is simply heavenly.

### HISTORY

The Pillitteri vineyards were established in the Niagara region in 1948.

Pillitteri Estates Winery proudly continues a family tradition of viticulture and winemaking excellence.

For Gary Pillitteri, the opening of Pillitteri Estates Winery in June of 1993 was the culmination of a lifetime dream.

The family's **53 acres** of vineyards, planted with **vitis vinifera** and **French Hybrid grape** varieties. Following the exacting standards of the VQA (Vintner's Quality Alliance) production has increased steadily since the winery's opening, and currently stands at **250,000 liters**. The winery's production facilities have recently undergone a major expansion, although growth in production is carefully controlled to ensure that the family's high quality standards are maintained.

