

AARONAP CELLARS

HOPPED CY



Price: \$12.00

Wine Summary:

Innovation...is the cornerstone of Aaronap Cellars. We're thrilled to push the boundaries of contemporary winemaking by offering this unique dry-hopped wine. A long-time friend "CY", a premier brewmaster of exquisite hoppy IPAs, had long encouraged me to blend the best of wine and beer making and explore adding hops to wine. Over the years, we've refined our experiments choosing different grape varietals and hops until we reached this masterpiece that combines the best of local vine and bine for a very unique tasting wine.

Tasting Notes:

The nose explodes with floral and citrus aromas propelled outward by a darker dried hay, cedar, and pine resin backbone. A light effervescence highlights the hay and green grass aromas, which linger on the deliciously crisp finish.

Food Pairing Suggestions:

Tangy soft cheeses, fried shrimp or calamari, roast lamb, fresh pasta with pesto sauce, grilled hamburgers, or eggplant parmigiana!

Technical Data:

Appellation: Massachusetts *Vineyard:* Coastal Vineyards, South Dartmouth, MA

Varietal Composition: 100% Cayuga White dry hopped with Nelson Sauvignon and Calypso hops

Aging Protocol: 12 months in stainless steel. Dry-hopped for 10 days. Bottle conditioned for 6 months

Alcohol: 11.5% ABV *pH:* 3.32 *Production Volume:* 144 bottles (375 mL)

Vintage and Production Notes:

The Dartmouth, MA area escaped most of the near-constant rains during the summer of 2018. In that slightly drier neck of Massachusetts, the Cayuga grapes swelled with aromas. Most of our Cayuga goes into our famous Summer Blush wine, but this year a tank was reserved for fun experiments with hopping wine.

Experiment #1: We loaded a 15 gal glass demi-john with a dry Cayuga wine, Nelson Sauvignon hop pellets, and loads of fresh Calypso hops. After 10 days, the wine was racked off of the hop residue and bottled with 10 days. After 6 months of bottle conditioning, we're ready to show off this masterpiece. Unfiltered, the wine is slightly hazy and effervescent.

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