

NK'MIP CELLARS 2012 QWAM QWMT RIESLING ICEWINE ACHIEVES 100 POINTS John Schreiner Awards a Perfect Score

Osoyoos, BC - Celebrated author, sommelier and Canadian wine connoisseur, John Schreiner says he knows perfection when he finds it, and perfection he found in the 2012 Nk'Mip Cellars Qwam Qwmt Riesling Icewine, awarding it a perfect 100 points. Schreiner, the man who literally wrote the book on Icewine, is the renowned author of over 15 works on the subject of Canadian wine, sharing his ample knowledge and expertise in all wines, particularly the hundreds of varieties of Icewine he has sampled throughout his career. Noting that making Icewine is a demanding and difficult process, Schreiner commends Nk'Mip Cellars for overcoming the obstacles and creating an Icewine which he calls "exquisite, exemplary and very, very fine."

In his article, <u>An Icewine That Should Be on Your Bucket List</u>, Schreiner notes the honeyed lemon and lime aromas and the key flavours of key lime pie and ripe apricots within the Icewine. He praises the purity of the fruit and the "exquisite balance of acidity and natural sugar" in this wine, ultimately giving the 2012 Qwam Qwmt Riesling Icewine the nod of perfection.

Nk'Mip Cellars, one of the premiere wineries in Osoyoos, has a history of winning prestigious awards on both local and international platforms. "This is a very meaningful designation to receive from John Schreiner. We are thrilled," offers Winemaker Randy Picton. "Earning a 100-point score from Mr. Schreiner is a major accomplishment and further confirms that our precise methodology and attention to detail is really paying off."

This particular 2012 Qwam Qwmt Riesling Icewine continues to receive impressive scores, notably a 93-point review from well-known *Vancouver Sun* wine critic, Anthony Gismondi. Gismondi has also recently awarded the Nk'Mip Cellars Mer'r'iym Meritage 2010 a significant 90 point score, confirming that the quality of Nk'Mip Cellars' wines spans all tiers and varieties.

The 2012 Qwam Qwmt Riesling Icewine is sold at BC Liquor Stores in 375ml bottles and retails for \$60.00. For more information and tasting notes, visit the Nk'Mip Cellars wine page here.

About Nk'Mip Cellars

Pronounced "in-ka-meep," North America's first aboriginal owned and operated winery overlooks Osoyoos Lake in the Okanagan Valley, British Columbia. Using grapes from the Osoyoos Indian Band's Inkameep Vineyard, winemaker Randy Picton produces wines in three tiers: Winemaker's Series, Qwam Qwmt and Mer'r'iym tiers. The award-winning portfolio includes favourites such as Pinot Noir, Chardonnay, Pinot Blanc, Riesling, Merlot, Syrah, Meritage and Riesling Icewine.

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