Wines of the Finger Lakes



Featured Selection

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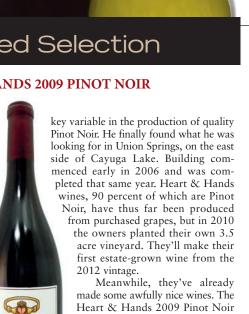
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n his excellent October 11, 2011, article on Finger Lakes wines, New York Times wine writer Eric Asimov concluded with a list of the region's best producers. Interestingly, his selections included several wineries that are less than a decade old. The newest, Heart & Hands Wine Company, was founded in 2006 by Tom and Sue Higgins.

Tom, a Finger Lakes native, worked for Hazlitt 1852 Vineyards during his high school years. His passion for wine eventually took him to France and then to California's Calera Wine Company, where he worked for the respected Pinot Noir specialist Josh Jensen. During this time, Susan, who has an MBA from NYU, drafted a business plan for the creation of their own winery.

After his stint at Calera, Tom returned to New York, where land was more affordable than in California. He began an exhaustive search to find a property that had soil laden with limestone, a

was produced from grapes grown on Seneca, Cavuga, and Skaneateles Lakes. It's very well balanced and full of cherry-like fruit—a fine example of how good Finger Lakes Pinot Noir can be, even from a difficult vintage. It can be purchased for















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