

## Kaku-Rei

## Junmai Ginjo (Niigata, Japan)

## **Basic Information**

**Brand:** Kaku-Rei [kaku-rey]

Type of sake: Junmai Ginjo

**Seimai Buai:** Rice milled to 55% **Alcohol:** 15-16% by volume

**Size & UPC:** 720 ml, 12-pack, 844650000016

300 ml, 12-pack, 844650000047

**Producer** 

**Producer:** Aoki [ow-kie] Shuzo

Owned by: Aoki Family Founded: 1717 Location: 1214 Shiozawa, Minami-Uonuma-shi

Niigata 949-6408, Japan

Website: <u>www.niigatasake.com</u>

www.kakurei.co.jp

**Owner/President:** 

Takafumi Aoki – the 12<sup>th</sup> generation of the founding family.

Toji (Master Brewer): Takahiro Imai

Ingredients & technical data

**Rice:** Koshi Tanrei

**Water:** On-site well water from an underground current

originating at Makihata-yama. Soft water.

**Yeast:** Kyokai #14 No sulfites, no preservatives.

Nihonshu-do (SMV): +2.5 Acidity: 1.5 Amino acids: 1.4

Other information

**Serving temp.:** Chilled or slightly warm

**Tasting note:** Slightly aromatic, lightly floral, hints of banana & pear. Soft clean finish. **Food pairing:** Grilled fish & vegetables. Steamed oysters. Vegetable tempura with salt.

Aoki Shuzo is located in the Minami-Uonuma district, which is well know as the best appellation for the cultivation of the most popular table rice Koshi Hikari. Aoki has awarded gold medals at the Japan National Sake Competition for three years in a row, in 2009, 2010 & 2011.



