

Hakuryu "White Dragon"

Daiginjo (Niigata, Japan)

Basic Information

Brand: Hakuryu [haku-ryu] **Nickname:** White Dragon **Type:** Daiginjo.

Rice polishing: 40%

Alcohol: 16-17% by volume **Bottle size, Case pack, & UPC Code:**

720 ml, 12-pack, UPC: 844650005004 300 ml, 12-pack, UPC: 844650005011



Producer

Name: Hakuryu [haku-ryu] Shuzo Founded: 1839

Owned by: Shirai Family

Location: 3-7 Okayama-cho, Agano-shi, Niigata 959-2025, JAPAN

Web site: www.niigatasake.com

www.hakuryu-sake.com

Toji (Sake Master): Shinji Shirai & Yuzuru Yamakawa

Yamakawa-san has been making sake for more than a half century.

Ingredients & technical data

Rice: Yamada Nishiki and Takane Nishiki

Water: Underground water from Agano-fukuryuusui

Yeast: Kyokai #9

SMV: +5 Acidity: 1 Amino acids: 0.5

Other information

Serving temp.: Chilled. 41~50°F (5~10°) **Tasting note:** Fruity, soft, round and smooth.

Food paring: White fish, raw or seared. Light flavored dishes. Good for aperitif as well.

This sake has won the Grand Gold Medal and gold medals for the last 14 consecutive years at the Monde Selection in Brussels, Belgium.

The Shirai family started sake production in 1839. Back in mid 19th century (Shogun's era), sake was transported by sea to major markets such as Edo (=Tokyo). Because the family also ran the transportation business and White Dragon, an imaginary animal, was considered a guardian for marine transportation, it named the sake business "Hakuryu" which means White Dragon.

