



DOMÄNE
WACHAU



RIESLING FEDERSPIEL®

RIED BRUCK 2016



Origin & Terroir

Bruck is probably one of the most exciting and unique single-vineyards of the Wachau. It is situated on the very edge of Austria's winegrowing zone. Thanks to the particular microclimate, the grapes in the south facing and steeply terraced Bruck vineyard ripens beautifully. Wines from Bruck are characterised by distinctively cool scents and particular elegance.

Grape Variety

Riesling is a grape variety of excellent international reputation. The share of Riesling on the total production in Austria amounts to just above 3% - at Domäne Wachau, this share is almost 20%. Riesling from Wachau is unique because of its particular elegance, finesse and structure.

Classification

Grapes for the wines in the category "Federspiel" (12% - 12.5% alcohol) are hand harvested at 17° to 18.5° KMW (83.5° to 90° Öchsle, 19,6 to 21,1 Brix). Chaptalisation is strictly forbidden. The name "Federspiel" dates back to medieval times and is derived from falconry. The falcon is symbolic for the elegance and liveliness of the Federspiel wines. Federspiel® is a registered trademark of Vinea Wachau Nobilis Districtus e.V.

Vinification

The vines are cultivated on extremely steep terraces. Due to considerable frost damages in April 2016 the average yield was only 1.500 kg per hectare. Grapes for Riesling Federspiel Bruck were carefully hand-picked at the end of October. After maceration and temperature-controlled fermentation in stainless steel tanks the wine matures in stainless steel before bottling.

Tasting Notes

The wine is lively yellow with green reflections. The distinctive "Bruck-style" is smoky with a precise structure and complex rich stone fruit aromas and exotic. The palate is balanced and elegant tasting of apricot, ripe peach and quince. The persistent minerality and racy acidity are well balanced by this wine's full-body and lasting-finish.

Enjoyment

Serve well chilled at about 9°C. Riesling Federspiel is a classic accompaniment to a wide range of fish, poultry and vegetable dishes or may be enjoyed as a sophisticated summer wine.

- 91 points | FALSTAFF

Alcohol: 12.5% | **Acidity:** 7.3‰ | **Residual Sugar:** 2.3g/l

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