



DOMÄNE  
WACHAU



# RIESLING SMARAGD®

## RIED SINGERRIEDEL 2018



### Origin & Terroir

Singerriedel is a wind-shielded, steeply terraced vineyard at the eastern end of Spitz. It is considered to be among the best vineyard sites in the Wachau. The stony soil conserves the heat from the warm temperatures until late in the evening. The old, weathered gneiss soil is covered by a thin layer of silicate-rich brown earth. Singerriedel is famous for ripe, concentrated Rieslings with stone-fruit aromas and pronounced mineral character.

### Grape Variety

No other grape variety is so perfectly synonymous with elegance and finesse as Riesling. Often described as the „queen“ among the world’s grape varieties, Riesling is the Wachau’s second most important variety after Grüner Veltliner. In Austria, the portion of Riesling in the total production is around 3%, at Domäne Wachau it amounts to almost 20%.

### Classification

Smaragd is the top category of Wachau wines. The name Smaragd was derived from the magnificent emerald green lizard that can be found basking in hot and sunny spots in the vineyards. Smaragd wines are dry, full-bodied and complex wines with plenty of finesse and great ageing potential. Smaragd® is a registered trademark of Vinea Wachau Nobilis Districtus e.V.

### Vinification

The grapes for Riesling Smaragd Singerriedel were carefully selected and handpicked in the end of October. Even after multiple selections from steep terraces the total yield was just 5.600 kg per hectare. After six hours of maceration, the wine was fermented and matured in stainless steel.

### Tasting Notes

This wine is bright golden yellow with subtle silver highlights. The aromas offer elegant hints of white tropical fruits, delicate passion fruit, melon, hints of pineapple and subtle notes of wild herbs. On the palate, there is delicate citrus, juicy, smoky but tight, structured and a vibrant mineral character. This wine is long-lasting and full of finesse!

### Enjoyment

Serve well chilled at 10°C. Riesling Smaragd is a classic accompaniment to fish dishes and seafood as well as a variety of vegetable dishes. This wine is very approachable in its youth but also age-worthy.

- 93+ points | ROBERT PARKER
- 4 glasses | WEIN.PUR
- 94 points | FALSTAFF
- 4 stars | VINARIA
- 92 points | WEIN-PLUS
- 96 points | A LA CARTE
- 18 points | GAULT MILLAU
- 92 points | JAMES SUCKLING

**Alcohol:** 13,5% | **Acidity:** 7,7% | **RS:** 2,3 g/l

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