

## Austrian whites – more than Grüner and Riesling

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„Domäne Wachau´s 1997 Kellerberg Smaragd reinforcing how well Austrian whites can age.“

Dom Wachau, Kellerberg Grüner Veltliner Smaragd 1997 Wachau

17.5

*'One of the best vintages in the last 30 years, along with 1999', apparently.*

Deliciously honeyed and spiced on the nose. With age this has become much more savoury and there's a power behind the refinement. Lots of spice and sour minerality on the aftertaste. (JH)

Dom Wachau, Achleiten Grüner Veltliner Smaragd 2015 Wachau

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RS 1.8 g/l, TA 5.4 g/l. Intense and ripe fruit aromas, yellow plum, citrus and almost peachy, spice too. Full and spicy in the mouth. As with many 2015s, a little more breadth and length than depth on the palate.

Elegant and fresh. (JH) 13.5%

Drink 2016-2020

Dom Wachau, Kellerberg Riesling Smaragd 2015 Wachau

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RS 3.5 g/l, TA 7.3 g/l. Already a little honeyed on the nose but fragrant like wild-flower honey rather than sweet. Lovely purity in this softer vintage, with the crisp finish adding length. (JH) 13%

Drink 2017-2028

Dom Wachau, Terrassen Riesling Federspiel 2015 Wachau

16.5

RS 1.8 g/l, TA 8 g/l. Bright stony citrus aroma. Attractively lightly smoky on the palate, either the terroir or a touch of reduction? A herbal note adds complexity. Impressive depth and length but still keeps the classic Riesling tension. (JH) 12.5%

Drink 2017-2025