



DOMÄNE  
WACHAU

# RIESLING FEDERSPIEL HIMMELSTIEGE 2021

Pure fruity aroma of vineyard peach and subtle exotic nuances. This Riesling exhibits a racy structure and plenty of finesse.

## ORIGIN & TERROIR

Himmelstiege was originally a steep terraced vineyard in Dürnstein and a popular wine for decades. Nowadays, the grapes come from terraced vineyards, partially supported by dry stone walls and vineyards along the Danube, mainly from Dürnstein and Loiben. The poor soil in the vineyards and their special exposition yield very typical Wachau wines with pronounced fruit aromas and a unique mineral character.

## VINTAGE 2021

A notably cold spring and a cool summer pushed back the growing calendar. Then came a picture-perfect autumn: glorious weather, filled with plentiful sunshine, dry days and cool nights – ideal conditions for the optimally ripened fruit that powers a truly grand vintage. This year will be remembered for its wines of good concentration and compelling elegance and finesse, combined with depth, tremendous momentum and tension on the palate and challenging acidity.

## VINEYARD & CELLAR

Work in the vineyard takes place based on sustainable and, increasingly, organic principles, without the use of insecticides or herbicides, and grapes are hand-picked. The grapes are carefully selected and then processed in a pneumatic tank press, with the must then fermented under controlled temperature and aged on their fine lees in stainless steel tanks.

## CHARACTER & STYLE

This wine is offering pronounced fruit aromas and hints of tropical notes; concentrated stone-fruit flavours on the palate, elegant structure, and fresh with salty undertones. A classic example of Riesling Federspiel with a precise structure and good length! The name Federspiel is derived from falconry which was a very popular leisure time activity among the nobility in medieval times. The falcon stands for the remarkable elegance of these dry white wines. Riesling Federspiel Himmelstiege is an excellent accompaniment to Italian cuisine such as Spaghetti alle Vongole, a Vitello Tonnato or grilled sea fish. Root carp, baked vegetables or roasted char are perfect Austrian dishes which are also great with this wine. It also goes perfectly with puristic dishes from Asia as for example steamed fish with coriander.

Alcohol: 12 % | Acidity: 7,8 %o | Residual Sugar: 3,4 g/l

90 Points | FALSTAFF



BAROQUE CELLAR PALACE



HIMMELSTIEGE



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