



DOMÄNE  
WACHAU

# RIESLING SMARAGD CLASSIC 2021

This late-harvest Riesling is full-bodied and expressive. The juicy texture provides plenty of drinking pleasure.

## ORIGIN & TERROIR

Grapes for Riesling Smaragd Classic are sourced from vineyards throughout the Wachau valley. A major part of the grapes are carefully hand-picked from vineyards surrounding the villages of Weissenkirchen, Spitz, Dürnstein, Rossatz-Arnsdorf and Mautern. The wine exhibits a very typical and consistent style of Riesling from Wachau with plenty of fruit.

## 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

Pleasantly intense aromas of mango flesh, on the palate a concentrated fruit expression with a juicy fruit core, beautiful balance of acidity and body, yet tight and elegant, a very charming Smaragd with great drinking pleasure! The term Smaragd stands for dry, dense, and complex wines of the Wachau; Apart from structure and depth, Smaragd wines also convince with great storage potential. Serve well chilled. It goes well with a variety of fish dishes such as a fried Branzino with asparagus risotto or a hearty Pizza Frutti di Mare as well as typical Austrian rissoles with mashed potatoes or a Tafelspitz (boiled beef) with apple and horseradish sauce and chive and sour cream sauce). The wine also harmonizes wonderfully with a spicy Indian fish curry. Riesling Smaragd Classic is already very accessible when young but can also be aged for 3 to 5 years.

Alcohol: 13 % | Acidity: 7,9 ‰ | Residual Sugar: 3,8 g/l

92 Points | FALSTAFF



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