



DOMÄNE
WACHAU

RIESLING FEDERSPIEL ^{RIED} LOIBENBERG 2022

An archetypical Federspiel - fine, juicy stone fruit aromas, a full body and discreet mineral notes

ORIGIN & TERROIR

Entering the Wachau from the east, the Loibenberg is the first striking elevation of the valley and reaches an altitude of more than 420 metres above sea level. Loibenberg is one of the biggest single-vineyards of the Wachau, south facing and influenced by the warm Pannonian climate. It is therefore also called the "hotplate" of the Wachau. The terroir is defined by weathered gneiss soils with layers of loess and loam in some areas as well as warm Pannonian air streams from the east. Domäne Wachau owns approximately two hectares of Riesling on Loibenberg.

VINTAGE 2022

A mild and dry winter was followed by a wet April. The moisture captured by the soil during that time helped carry the vines through the hot summer days. Unfortunately, the weather turned poorly in September. We found ourselves frequently fighting the rains, especially at the beginning of harvest. To our delight, the sun returned as the calendar switched to October, and the grapes enjoyed a slow, ideal ripening. The result: elegant and focused wines of energy and tension that captivate the palate with vibrant acidity, clarity, and concentration.

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

The aromas are concentrated and intense: stone fruit, white peach, ripe apricot, hints of exotic fruits and smoky mineral notes. Substance and depth on the palate combined with a lively acidity result in brilliant wine with aging potential. 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 Loibenberg 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. Riesling Federspiel Loibenberg also goes perfectly with puristic dishes from Asia as for example steamed fish with coriander.

2022: tba

2021: 94 Points | FALSTAFF 93 Points | JAMES SUCKLING 94 Points | PARKER

2020: 91 Points | PARKER Europe No 1 - Worldwide No 3 | WORLD'S BEST VINEYARDS

2019: 93 Points | JAMES SUCKLING

2018: 91 Points | PARKER



Alcohol: 12,5 % | Acidity: 7,7 ‰ | Residual Sugar: 1,5 g/l



BAROQUE CELLAR PALACE



RIED LOIBENBERG



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