



DOMÄNE
WACHAU

NEUBURGER FEDERSPIEL SPITZER GRABEN 2022

A rare grape variety with a lot of expression and a great spectrum of aromas from the cool Spitzer Graben.

ORIGIN & TERROIR

Grapes from steep terraced vineyards from the „Spitzer Graben“ (a narrow valley leading up to the north), including famous single-vineyard sites such as Bruck, Setzberg, Trenning, Kalkofen and Brandstatt were carefully hand-picked for this wine. The extremely steep hills and the cool, marginal climate that is strongly influenced by cool air streams from the Waldviertel, one of Austria's coldest areas, define this wine. Migmatitic gneiss and some paragneiss, typical primary rock formations with thin layers of top soil, dominate this most western part of the Wachau valley.

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. After gentle pressing, the spontaneous fermentation took place in big wooden casks.

CHARACTER & STYLE

the aromas are complex on the nose revealing notes of crushed red apple, hints of citrus blossom, walnut and almond and fine spices. Powerful and classy on the palate, a very juicy fruit, balanced, refreshing wine with a good structure. 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. It goes just as well with a hearty Brettljause (typical Austrian cold cuts) as it does with a cooked shoulder jerk with hash browns and chive sauce or a roast chicken. It can also be Mediterranean dish like a "Pesce al Forno" (fried sea bream) or Far Eastern spicy cuisine like a Wagyu Carpaccio (from Japanese beef) on sesame cream and basil. Enjoy young or age for 3-5 years.



2022: 91 Points | FALSTAFF

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Alcohol: 12,5 % | Acidity: 6,5 ‰ | Residual Sugar: 1,1 g/l



BAROQUE CELLAR PALACE



SPITZER GRABEN



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