



DOMÄNE  
WACHAU

# RIESLING FEDERSPIEL <sup>RIED</sup> BRUCK 2023

**A Riesling from one of the coolest, steepest and most spectacular vineyards of the Wachau. Impressive minerality!**

## ORIGIN & TERROIR

Bruck is probably one of the most exciting and unique single-vineyards of the Wachau. It is situated on the very edge of Austria's winegrowing zone. Thanks to the particular microclimate, the grapes in the south facing and steeply terraced Bruck vineyard ripens beautifully. Wines from Bruck are characterized by distinctively cool scents and particular elegance.

## VINTAGE 2023

An exceptionally mild and dry winter was followed by a cool spring, which provided the soil with plenty of moisture. The vines benefited from this often during the hot summer days. Several hailstorms came through the region in what was a very good year until the Autumn. High September temperatures and the resulting ripeness was compensated for by cool October nights, so that in the end we were able to harvest ripe and healthy grapes. The result is balanced and harmonious wines with a rounder texture and complex, juicy aromas.

## VINEYARD & CELLAR

The cultivation of the steep dry stone terraced vineyards and the poor soil, which can only be worked by hand, reduce the yield. Particular attention is paid to the care of the dry stone walls in this vineyard. The grapes are harvested by hand in several picking passages and strict selection. After a short maceration period, the wine is fermented under controlled temperature and aged on their fine lees in stainless steel tanks before bottling.

## CHARACTER & STYLE

The distinctive "Bruck-style" is smoky with a precise structure and complex rich stone fruit aromas and exotic. The palate is balanced and elegant tasting of peach, ripe apricot and delicious apple. The persistent minerality and racy acidity are well balanced by this wine's full-body and lasting-finish. The name "Federspiel" dates back to medieval times and is derived from falconry. The falcon is symbolic for the elegance and liveliness of the Federspiel wines. Served chilled, the Riesling is ideal as an aperitif and goes perfectly with Austrian fish cuisine such as Pike dumplings or a char tartare. It can also be more Mediterranean, for example with a Branzino in a salt crust with rosemary potatoes or prosciutto with melon. Ried Bruck is also a great tip for sushi and sashimi and goes well with "spicy prawns".

- 2023: 92+ Points | A LA CARTE      92 Points | FALSTAFF
- 2022: 91 Points | FALSTAFF    92 Points | JAMES SUCKLING
- 2021: 95 Points | PARKER    94 Points | FALSTAFF
- 2020: 93 Points | PARKER    92 Points | FALSTAFF    91 Points | WINE SPECTATOR  
Europe No 1 - Worldwide No 3 | WORLD'S BEST VINEYARDS
- 2019: 93 Points | JAMES SUCKLING    91 Points | FALSTAFF    91 Points | WINE ENTHUSIAST



Alcohol: 12,5 % | Acidity: 6,7 ‰ | Residual Sugar: 1,4 g/l



BAROQUE CELLAR PALACE



RIED BRUCK



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