RIESLING SMARAGD TERRASSEN 2022



Deeply fragrant with exotic components; subtle minerals lend an aristocratic character. A charming wine with typical Wachau character.

ORIGIN & TERROIR

Grapes for Riesling Smaragd Terrassen were carefully handpicked from small terraced vineyard plots throughout the Wachau valley. Focus in the vinification of this wine is not on the unique terroir of a specific site but rather on offering a consistent and representative Wachau wine style with a pronounced fruit character, elegance and minerality. Riesling grapes from Loiben contribute weight, Weissenkirchen adds balance and grapes from Spitz and Viessling are responsible for the impressive finesse of the wine.

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

Ripe aromas of apricot, nectarine, and subtle hints of passion fruit. Rich and energetic palate has expressive fruit that is also very delightful, neatly balanced, and elegant. This wine is charming; a very pleasant Smaragd with a long lingering finish. Smaragd wines are dry, full-bodied, and complex wines with plenty of finesse and great aging potential. Ideally fresh from the fridge, the wine goes perfectly with asparagus with ham or classically with sauce Hollondaise and of course with local fish (trout, char) from the grill. Down-to-earth classics such as Pasta ham bake with lettuce-salad or rissoles with mashed potatoes are well supported by Riesling Smaragd Terrassen. The wine also perfectly accompanies spicy Far Eastern dishes, for example, a Korean Bulgogi (fried beef with a marinade of soy sauce, ginger and garlic). Drink young to enjoy the intriguing fruit aromas or age for 3-5 years for complex, multi-layered aromas.

2022: tba

- 2021: 93 Points | FALSTAFF
- 2020: 93 Points | FALSTAFF
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- 2019: 92 points | FALSTAFF



BAROQUE CELLAR PALACE



WACHAUER TERRASSEN



Alcohol: 13,0 % | Acidity: 7,1 ‰ | Residual Sugar: 4,8 g/l



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