GRÜNER VELTLINER FEDERSPIEL RIED LIEBENBERG 2025

DOMÄNE WACHAU

Elegant fruit and spicy mineral notes are the convincing attributes of this classic Federspiel from the east end of the Wachau.

Alcohol: 12,5 % | Acidity: 5,5 ‰ | Res. Sugar: 1,5 g/l

ORIGIN & TERROIR

The history of the vineyard Liebenberg dates back to the 14th century. Early records mention "lieb'nperig", which later became "Liebenberg". The views of this south- and southwest facing site are lined by stone-walls. Liebenberg is situated in the western part of Dürnstein and has rather cooler influences compared to for example Kellerberg. Liebenberg is one of the most fascinating vineyards in the Wachau; various forms of paragneiss represent the parent rock for the soils. Dark amphibolite outcrops are scattered everywhere, and amphibolite is also found in the stone walls. Due to its meagre terrain, the wines are characterized by elegance and subtle minerality.

VINTAGE 2025

The year started off mild and dry. Despite some local frost and hail damage in May, spring was quite balanced. Summer brought contrasts: hot in June, cool and wet in July, followed by perfect conditions in August. Late-summer weather and cool nights in September were perfect for final ripening. During the harvest, we benefited from the flexibility of our vignerons, as there were repeated interruptions due to occasional rainy days. Thanks to meticulous planning and selective hand-picking, the grapes were harvested at optimal ripeness. A vintage with cool freshness, fine flavours, precise structure, and outstanding potential!

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 wine shows hints of ripe yellow apple, white peaches, spicy notes of pepper and subtle hints of papaya; the palate is pronounced with a salty character, juicy fruit and lively acidity that complement the long lasting and powerful mouthfeel. 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. Well chilled, it is an ideal accompaniment to classic Austrian cuisine such as baked pasta with ham. It also goes perfectly with Italian antipasti, a Mediterranean shakshuka or spiced dishes like Paneer Tikka (Indian grilled cheese).

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2025: 91 | FALSTAFF 93 | A LA CARTE 94 | VINOUS
2024: 91 | FALSTAFF 93 | VINOUS 92 | JAMES SUCKLING 93-95 (3*) | VINARIA
2023: 93 | A LA CARTE 91 | FALSTAFF 92 | JAMES SUCKLING
2022: 92 | FALSTAFF 91 | JAMES SUCKLING 93 | A LA CARTE

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