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Variety: Riesling
Soils: Zöbing Perm rock, desert sandstone
ABV: 10,5 %Vol.
Ac: 8,3 %
RS: 52,0 g/l
Ageing potential: 2031

Spätlese Riesling 2021 Permstein

The vineyards on Zöbingerr Heiligenstein, where our Riesling vines are rooted on Permgestein, gives us some excellent sweet wines in special years. The grapes for this Spätlese are harvested by hand on October 28.

Around the wine village of Zöbing an in Austria unique composition of geology can be found, which has been suitable for Riesling for centuries now. In the deposits of the over 250 million years old sediments and rocks containing fossilized plants and gravels with clasts of volcanic rhyolites (effusive rocks from magma interspersed with quartz). The combination of climate and soils and the Kamp River, which flows past the bottom of the Heiligenstein, bring a uniqueness, which can be found almost nowhere else. Since it is only allowed to indicate the origin by means of a site designation with dry wines within the Kamptal area, we decided to indicate the origin of this Spätlese through its geology, the Zöbinger Perm.

Making of the wine

On Oktober 28, 2021 golden-yellow, picture-perfect botrytis-free grapes were harvested by hand. After a native-yeast fermentation, the wine rested on the full lees for half a year, followed by another year of aging on the fine lees to ensure natural sedimentation. We want to intervene in the wine production as little as possible and provide as much time as the wine needs to develop.

The vintage 2021

2021 was a particularly varied year in the vineyards and once again demanded a lot of experience, sensitivity and intuition. After a cool spring and late flowering, the summer was very varied: sometimes sunny, sometimes rainy, but without heat waves. As changeable as the year had been until then, the weather remained stable during the harvest. The exceptionally beautiful and consistent autumn weather gave us the opportunity to harvest our parcels with absolute precision. The condition of the grapes was just perfect and the ripeness, acidity and aroma indicate an exceptional vintage that will be reflected in vibrant, terroir-driven wines with longevity.

Recommendation

Elegance, brightness, precision, minerality – all of this is Permstein. Through the well-integrated, animating acidity and the vertical structure, this Spätlese is the ideal accompaniment to fruity desserts and spicy Asian cuisine, such as curries. Also, as an aperitif, this Spätlese is a perfect example for the sweet side of the Heiligenstein.