

# GRÜNER VELTLINER FEDERSPIEL® ROSSATZ 2017

## ORIGIN & TERROIR:

ROSSATZ IS A SMALL VILLAGE ON THE SOUTHERN BANK OF THE DANUBE RIVER IN THE WACHAU VALLEY – ONE OF THE MOST PRESTIGIOUS WINE REGIONS IN AUSTRIA. THE GRAPES COME FROM DIFFERENT SINGLE VINEYARDS, MAINLY HÖCKGARTEN AND POINTEN: LOAM, SANDSTONE AND GRAVEL. THE AGE OF THE VINES IS BETWEEN 5-20 YEARS.

# HARVEST DATE:

18.-25. September 2017 | Handpicked

# **VINEYARD TREATMENTS:**

- SUSTAINABLE MEASURES NO USE OF HERBICIDES OR PESTICIDES
- PROTECTING OF USEFUL ANIMALS LIKE BUTTERFLIES AND ESPECIALLY BEES
- Planting of useful flowering plants like clover, buckwheat or bird's foot in the rows
- Pruning in January, Shoot thinning in May June
- LEAF PLUCKING ON CLOUDY DAYS IN JULY AUGUST

# **VINIFICATION:**

BEFORE GENTLE PRESSING, THE GRAPES GET CRUSHED WITH A SHORT SKIN CONTACT (2 HOURS) TO EXTRACT INGREDIENTS FOR A HIGHER MOUTH FEELING. THE FERMENTATION STARTS SPONTANEOUSLY IN STAINLESS STEEL TANKS AND TAKES ABOUT TWO MONTHS. AFTER ANOTHER MONTH ON THE FINE LEES, THE WINE GETS A MINIMAL SULPHUR TREATMENT AND AFTER FILTRATION IT WILL BE BOTTLED IN SPRING WITHOUT ANY LATER ADDITIONS.

# STYLE OF WINE:

This classic dry wine is distinguished by a strong, nuance-rich character. Federspiel wines feature a must weight of at least 17° KMW and an alcohol content of between 11.5% and 12.5% by volume. The name federspiel refers to the times of falconry, when this favourite form of noble hunting was practiced in the Wachau.

### TASTING NOTES & FOOD PAIRING.

A TYPICAL FEDERSPIEL WINE: FRUIT DRIVEN, ELEGANT, JUICY PEAR NOTES, HINTS OF APPLES AND WILD HERBS. WELL BALANCED AND CONCENTRATED PALATE. GOES WELL WITH SALADS, VEGETABLES, PASTA DISHES OR FISH.

• 93 Points, Best Buy | Wine Enthusiast

ALCOHOL: 12,5 % VOL. | ACIDITY: 5,1‰ | RESIDUAL SUGAR: 3,5 G/L

