

QUINTESSENZ

SAUVIGNON DOC 2017

VARIETAL: Sauvignon Blanc

AGE OF VINES: 17 years

TEMPERATURE: 12 – 14 °C

OPTIMAL AGING: 2019 – 2031

YIELD: 45 hl / ha

TRELLISING SYSTEM: Wire-trained

ALCOHOL: 14.0 %

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 1.5 g/l

TA: 5.8 g/l

Contains sulphites

» The physical sensuality of a pleasure garden pervaded by hints of the wild. Lose your senses in a labyrinth of fragrances and find them again thanks to the thread of minerality that leads you to your gustatory goal. «

VINTAGE

After an unusually dry winter and early appearance of the new shoots, at the end of April we had a period of frost but fortunately we got off lightly. At the beginning of May the first grape blossoms started to open. Following a wet July accompanied by thunderstorms, some with local hailstorms, the vines made fast progress towards the final ripening stage. The harvest began very early at the finishing of August and after about one month it finished at the beginning of October.

VINIFICATION

Extremely prolonged pressing of the grapes in their entirety, spontaneous fermentation of the unfiltered juice in the large casks (500 l), 10 months maturing in the wood on fine lees with bâtonnage.

VINEYARD

East-facing slope at 500 meters above sea level at Oberplanitzing, loamy, chalky gravel with porphyry and weathered granite, providing a prominent mineral character to the site.

TASTING NOTES

- golden yellow with hints of green
- fruit reminiscent of ripe gooseberries, apples and peaches
- juicy, with elegant fruit on the palate, mineral notes and a melting finish

RECOMMENDATION

This wine is paired well with asparagus, onion soup, escargot, and fish dishes, and may also be enjoyed as an aperitif.

AWARDS*

ROBERT PARKER – 2011: 92 p., 2016: 94+ p.

WINE & SPIRITS – 2013: 92 p., 2016: 90 p.

JAMES SUCKLING – 2016: 93 p.

VINOUS – 2016: 90 p.

GAMBERO ROSSO – 2013, 2014: 2 Bicchieri, 2016: 2 Bicchieri Rossi

DOCTOR WINE – 2013: 92 p., 2014: 91 p., 2016: 92 p.

SLOW WINE – 2014: Grande Vino

BIBENDA – 2011, 2014, 2016: 4 Grappoli

I VINI DI VERONELLI – 2014, 2016: 92 p.

FALSTAFF – 2011, 2014, 2016: 91 p.,

LUCA MARONI – 2016: 91 p.,

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