

STERN

SAUVIGNON DOC 2022

VARIETAL: Sauvignon Blanc

AGE OF VINES: 10 – 20 years

TEMPERATURE: 10 – 12 °C

OPTIMAL AGING: 2023 – 2028

YIELD: 60 hl / ha

TRELLISING SYSTEM: Wire-trained

ALCOHOL: 14.0 %

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.0 g/l

TA: 6.1 g/l

Contains sulphites

» Fragrances that enfold as discreetly as a sunny morning. «

VINTAGE

The winter months of 2022 were markedly poor in precipitation. Only April brought significant rain and replenished the groundwater somewhat. May was one of the warmest on record and gave a strong boost to vegetation. The entire summer was marked by drought and was reminiscent of the summers of 2003 and 2015. The ripening of the grapes progressed rapidly and already on August 24 the first grapes were delivered to the winery. As the autumn also brought hardly any precipitation, the grape harvest went smoothly and excellent grapes were harvested. As early as mid-October, the grape harvest came to an end.

VINIFICATION

Destemming of ripe and perfectly healthy grapes, ten to eighteen hour cold maceration before pressing, natural must clarification, and a slow, controlled fermentation at 16 °C (20 % in big barrels), six-month ageing on the fine lees, followed by filtration and bottling in May.

VINEYARD

Vineyard sloping to the southeast at 450 – 500 meters above sea level, situated on sunny slopes and provide cool nights during the ripening period, which helps to build fresh aromas and maintain a refreshing acidity. Sandy, loamy conglomerate soil on bedrock (porphyry and granite).

TASTING NOTES

- light, straw-yellow
- elderberry, cassis and exotic fruit on the nose, with subtle gooseberry overtones
- fruit also present on the palate, sweet – sour, good length with a fruit-dominated finish

RECOMMENDATION

This wine pairs well with light appetizers, fish dishes and also as an aperitif.

AWARDS

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