

## BRUT NATURE

### ALTO ADIGE SPUMANTE DOC 2013

**VARIETAL(S):** Chardonnay

**AGE OF VINES:** 30 years

**TEMPERATURE:** 6 – 8 °C

**OPTIMAL AGING:** 2019 – 2022

**YIELD:** 75 hl / ha

**TRELLISING SYSTEM:** Wire-trained

**ALCOHOL:** 13.0 %

**RESIDUAL SUGAR:** 2.9 g/l

**TA:** 6.4 g/l

Contains sulphites

» Life is meant to be celebrated! For four years the wine made from grapes from our highest vineyards rests of the fine lees – ample time to enjoy the pleasures of anticipating this sparkling delight. «

#### VINTAGE

Cool, rainy winter months finally allowed the vines to bud at the beginning of April, more or less average for the season. The “arrears” of 2-3 weeks compared to 2012 however persisted throughout the year and could not be made up even in the very hot days of July and August. The grapes nevertheless began to ripen in 100% ideal conditions and harvesting of the first grapes began on 12 September. Cooler temperatures for the harvest and beautiful autumn weather then ensured healthy, ripe fruit. The 2013 white wines are notable for their sensational quality, with intensive fruit typical of the variety, a fresh acidity and a harmonious structure.

#### VINIFICATION

Soft pressing of the whole bunch and forced separation of the free-run must. Temperature-controlled fermentation: 80% in steel's tank, 20% in tonneaux. Tirage made in June, 2014, second fermentation and bottle aging sur lies for 48 months. Degorgement zero dosage.

#### VINEYARD

The grapes are selected from the vineyards lying at 600 m a.s.l. and facing East, at the foot of the Passo della Mendola. The soil is Dolomitic limestone.

#### TASTING NOTES

- Golden yellow tone
- fine and persistent perlage, thanks to the long time on the lees
- white flowers memories, definite smell and lively minerality
- bright and rapturous acidity.

#### RECOMMENDATION

“I drink [...] when I'm happy and when I'm sad. Sometimes I drink it when I'm alone. When I have company I consider it obligatory. I trifle with it if I'm not hungry and drink it when I am. Otherwise, I never touch it, unless I'm thirsty.” (Lily Bollinger)

#### AUSZEICHNUNGEN

**ROBERT PARKER** – 2012: 91 points

