



Rotgipfler THERMENREGION 2016

The Rotgipfler grape has its name from the young shoots as well as tips and veins of its leaves, which show a reddish (rot=red in German language) color.

Site, Vinevards and Soil

Landgrafl, Pfaffstätten and Weingarten Satzäcker in Oberwaltersdorf meagre alluvial gravel with a very high limestone content, fine white gravel subsoil with isolated layers of sandy loam.

Description

Pale straw-gold with green highlights, impressive for its silken lustre. In the nose, first impression is that of mirabelle plums and honeydew melon with a subtle hint of spring blossoms. Then becoming more intense: orange zest, blossom honey and ripe green apples. On the palate the wine is characterised by piquant acidity and its powerful but polished core of sweet fruit, which describes a lovely arc from green fruits to apples to fresh pineapple. In the finish there's a very persistent impression of blossom honey.

Awards

Falstaff Wein Guide 2018/2019 92 points

Decanter World Wine Awards 2018 Silver Medal – 91 points

Wine Enthusiast 92 points

Food pairing

Fish dishes, grilled vegetables, recipes with Asian spices, roasted chicken provençal, pheasant wrapped in bacon, partridge terrine, lightly ripened cheeses (Beaufort or Bergkäse), nuts.

Serving temperature

10 - 12 °C (50-54 °F)

Cellaring potential

until 2026

Time of harvesting

From the beginning to the end of October 2016

Vinification

Hand-harvested in multiple passes; stringent selection of clusters whereby the botrytis berries and the unaffected grapes were vinified separately. The first lot of grapes was destemmed and pressed immediately. A second lot was destemmed and crushed, then spent eight hours on the skins before pressing. Partial spontaneous fermentation from 17–21°C. Partial malolactic fermentation. Maturation in stainless steel tank, approximately 10% in used barriques.

Acidity 5.3 g/l Alcohol 13,5 % Vol. Residual Sugar 6.5 g/l