

# RIESLING FEDERSPIEL <sup>RIED</sup> TRENNING 2023

A Riesling coming from high up in the Wachau's terraced vineyards, where cool temperatures and rocky soil make for unique minerality and distinctive terroir.

## ORIGIN & TERROIR

The Trenning vineyard, an institution, is located just outside the town of Elsen. The site is both the gateway to and the outward limit of Spitzer Graben and the Wachau as a whole. It borders on the Waldviertel region to the north where the harsher climate is unfavourable for cultivating grapes. Held together by dry stone walls, the vineyard rises 360 metres to an altitude of more than 500 metres. Just as unique as the geographic location is the vineyard's soil profile. While granodiorite gneiss is prevalent throughout Spitzer Graben, amphibolite and graphite are also found here. The barren landscape and harsh windy climate make Riesling a natural choice.

## VINTAGE 2023

An exceptionally mild and dry winter was followed by a cool spring, which provided the soil with plenty of moisture. The vines benefited from this often during the hot summer days. Several hailstorms came through the region in what was a very good year until the Autumn. High September temperatures and the resulting ripeness was compensated for by cool October nights, so that in the end we were able to harvest ripe and healthy grapes. The result is balanced and harmonious wines with a rounder texture and complex, juicy aromas.

## VINEYARD & CELLAR

Trenning is one of the Wachau's most challenging vineyard sites. The extremely steep slopes require the vineyards to be worked only by hand, and several have gradients of more than 50 percent. Here, a strong back and lots of patience are no disadvantage. The highly varying altitudes mean varying ripening periods, making several picking passes necessary. After carefully pressing the grapes, the wines are allowed to ferment under controlled temperatures and then to age on fine lees in stainless steel tanks.

## CHARACTER & STYLE

The Riesling Federspiel Trenning is a taught, exciting and dynamic wine displaying a highly complex aroma structure, dominated by hints of apricot, peach and delicate spices. Once exposed to air, notes of grapefruit and floral aromas jump out of the glass. On the palate, this Riesling is fresh and straightforward. The distinctive minerality is interwoven with structured acidity. The energy and liveliness make for an elegant, balanced finish. The name "Federspiel" dates back to medieval times and is derived from falconry. The falcon is symbolic for the elegance and liveliness of the Federspiel wines. Riesling Trenning is an ideal complement for traditional Austrian cuisine, including classic dishes such as Wiener schnitzel and fried chicken salad, or even strudel filled with minced trout, or stuffed peppers. Devotees of Mediterranean dishes can look forward to a glass when savouring risotto al limone, vitello tonnato or mackerel marinated with herbs. This wine is also an excellent companion for Indian and Thai curries.

- 2024: WINEMAKER OF THE YEAR | FALSTAFF  
2023: 93+ Points | A LA CARTE 92 Points | FALSTAFF  
2022: 92 Points | FALSTAFF 92 Points | TASTED (A. LARSSON)  
92 Points | JAMES SUCKLING 92+ Points | A LA CARTE  
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Alcohol: 12,5 % | Acidity: 8,1 ‰ | Residual Sugar: 3,3 g/l



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RIED TRENNING



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