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Ried Kirchweingarten 2018



available in
750ml / 1.5L

SITE & SOIL Kirchweingarten is where we grow our most radiant Zweigelt, on about 1.2 hectares. This is a slightly sloping, southwesterly exposed hillside at some 180-190 metres above sea level, situated directly below the church in Höflein. The soil here has a markedly greater proportion of clay than our other sites. This gives the Zweigelt a particularly robust quality, refreshing acidity, a firm structure and a charming but precise character of expression.

GRAPE VARIETY Zweigelt

VINTAGE 2018 One of the earliest harvests of all time. Superb vintage with a very hot and dry summer. High quality of healthy grapes. The wines are rich in content and typically characteristics of the grape variety. A great year!

DESCRIPTION This wine is complex and exciting in the glass. Black berries in the nose accompanied by a powerful element of spice, a juicy core of sweet fruit and a satiny structure of tannins.

> **HARVEST** end of September, hand-harvested in multiple passes

> **FERMENTATION** spontaneous, open fermentation on the skins at 30°C; part of the clusters were not destemmed in order to increase the intensity of the aromas. After 20 days of maceration, the wine is finished in oak casks.

> **ÉLEVAGE** 18 months in 500L casks

> **ALCOHOL** 13.9% vol

> **ACIDITY** 5.4 g/l

> **RESIDUAL SUGAR** 1.0 g/l

> **FOOD PAIRING** grand wine that needs a proper partner; lightweights just won't do. This wine needs dark meat, ideally with a powerful and intense sauce, imaginative spicing and not too little salt!

> **SERVING TEMPERATURE**
16-18°C

> **MARURITY**
2020 - 2030



4 Stars



94 Points



+94 Points



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