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M1

2018



Available in
750ml / 1,5L

SITE & SOIL Aubühl is the warmest site in the hill country around Arbesthal. It is oriented southwest, situated at 220 metres above sea level, and has chalky/sandy light loam soils that warm up very easily. Here on 3.3 hectares we cultivate Merlot and Blaufränkisch, which together yield a very luxuriant and very long-lived red wine. Since 2000 the ripest lots have been bottled under the name M1.

This wine is only produced in exceptional vintages, and for us represents the greatest challenge for terroir and vinification

GRAPE VARIETIES 80% Merlot, 20% Blaufränkisch

VINTAGE 2018 A wonderful vintage. We expect that along with satisfying ripeness & full body, the wines will also show finesse & remarkable freshness. Substantial depth of fruit, plus a wonderfully firm acid backbone – wines with balance!

DESCRIPTION The longer one examines the nose of this wine, the greater the variety of aromas that unfold: plums and blackberries, tobacco and orange zest, bright raspberries and dark cherries, cinnamon and pepper, cloves and cedar. Fine tannins provide the wine with a solid structure, while the finish is lightly salty and thus rather striking.

- > **HARVEST** beginning to mid October, the ripest clusters selected by hand in multiple passes
- > **FERMENTATION** spontaneous fermentation on the skins at 30-32°C in wooden vats after a maceration period of 24-30 days
- > **ÉLEVAGE** 24 months in French oakbarriques and 500L casks
- > **ALCOHOL** 14.9% vol
- > **ACIDITY** 5.5 g/l
- > **RESIDUAL SUGAR** 1.0 g/l
- > **FOOD PAIRING** what this wine needs, is a hearty meat dish or just a fire in the fireplace and a very comfortable easy-chair in front of it. A wine for the great meditative moments in life.
- > **SERVING TEMPERATURE** 16-18°C (We recommend 2-3 hours decanting in a carafe)
- > **MATURITY** 2021 - 2035



96 Points



5 Stars



18.5 Points