



HIRSCH

[WEINGUT HIRSCH SEIT 1878 MIT EIGENSINN]

RIED GAISBERG 1^{er} ZÖBING RIESLING 2019 KAMPTAL DAC

TASTING NOTE

This great dry Riesling still shows some funk (from wild ferment), but behind this is a wine with great depth and a very complex structure. With aeration the subtle stone-fruit and spice aromas slowly emerge. Amazing finish that shoots off into the heavens. From biodynamically grown grapes. Better after 2020. Screw cap.

STUART PIGOTT - James Suckling

13,0 Vol %, large oak cask / stainless steel
Bio-dynamic according to Respekt – AT-BIO-402

James Suckling: **score 97**
Falstaff: **score 94**

THE VINEYARD SITE

This southwest-facing vineyard is located in the southern foothills of the Manhartsberg mountain range. The soil consists mainly of non-calcareous, siliceous brown earth with a sandy, slightly silty consistency and a significant grit content. The soil over weathered mica schist bedrock is generally non-calcareous; calcareous soils are only found over amphibolite lenses or remnants of loess.

WINEMAKING

Harvest at the end of September/beginning of October. Whole bunch pressing, fermentation using natural yeasts with maturation occurring in both stainless steel tanks and large oak barrels. The wine rested on the lees until middle of May prior to bottling at the end of July and release in September 2020.

VINTAGE 2019

After the quite mild and dry first three months of the year and a changeable, yet warm April, we were in fear of late frosts. Happily they didn't occur although we have experienced the coldest May since 1991. Latter slightly slowed down the development of the vines, brought at the same time sufficient water capacities for the whole blooming period.

An extraordinary hot June was followed by a more tempered July with a reasonable amount of rain by the end of the month, which let vines and us viticulturists breathe easy. In addition cool and airy nights set in by the end of August, having an essential influence on the grape aroma. Thanks to all these factors we were able to harvest superbly healthy and ripe grapes, from the first until the very last day of harvest. In terms of taste 2019 is a very classical vintage with a marvellous juiciness, a ripe acidity and a grand maturing potential.



Available formats: 0,75 l / 1,5 l / 3,0 l / 6,0 l

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