

ALSACE GRAND CRU

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Riesling Grand Cru Rosacker 2016

AOC Alsace Grand Cru, Alsace, France

The summit of our production!

THE VINTAGE

After several low yield harvests, the 2016 production was normal.

Initially, cool, wet temperatures slowed the spring vegetative growth greatly. Fortunately, the weather improved but residual moisture created perfect conditions for mildew. Extra vigilance was demanded to protect the crop. An August heat wave and subsequent warm weeks until harvest created water stress in some fields, but the grapes eventually ripened perfectly.

Harvest began on September 20th and finished 7 weeks later.

In the cellar, a few fermentations finished more quickly than in the past. The wines are well balanced, fresh, and easy to drink.

LOCATION

The Rosacker Grand Cru vineyard slopes face East-South East at an altitude of 260m to 330m.

TERROIR

The terroir is heavy limestone and marl with light layers of sandstone.

VARIETAL

Riesling 100%

12.5 % % VOL.

TECHNICAL DATA

Residual Sugar: 5 g/l

pH: 3.1

Tartaric acidity: 7.1 g/l

SERVING

Store on the side between 10-15°C. Ideally served between 8-10°C.

AGEING POTENTIAL

10 to 15 years

TASTING

An intense flint and citrus nose. Ripe and powerful on the palate with a long clean finish. If there wasn't a slightly aggressive hint of tannins at the finish, this would have been even higher.

Marries marvelously with fine fish and white meats in creamy sauces.

REVIEWS AND AWARDS



94/100

"Flinty smokiness hovers like a promise on the first whiff of the wine. Underneath it awais the appetizing freshness of ripe, red apple and lemon zest. The palate has an earthy edge, a textured, profound core that is full of cirtus pithiness from which vivid freshness resonates. This wine is dry and lovely"

Anne Kriebiehl, Wine Enthusiast, 01/07/2020



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91/100

"Now fully mature, but with an elegant balance at the lighter end of the power scale for Alsace, this has some nice peachy character. At the slightly austere, mineral finish there's also some dried lemon zest. From organically grown grapes"

James Suckling, James Suckling, 01/09/2017

