



Anton Bauer Blaufrankisch Reserve “Artist”

Winery: Anton Bauer
Category: Wine – Still - Red
Grape Variety: Blaufrankisch
Region: Feuersbrunn, Wagram, Austria
Vineyard: Lower Spiegel and Rosenberg planted in 1993 and 1994
Feature: Sustainable
Winery established: 1992 under Anton Bauer
Awards: 2012 92 pts Fallstaff, 2013 93 pts Fallstaff



Product Information

Soil: Loess and some Rocks, Gravel in Spiegel

Age of vines: 1993/ 1994

Vinification & Yield: hand harvest, grape and single berry selection, Optical sorting, slow fermentation on yeast for 3 weeks and aged in new Bordeaux Barrique (Grand Cru). 40 hl/ha Vintage

Tasting Notes: Dark ruby with nearly opaque core, violet highlights and a thin, transparent rim. Dark berry fruit, black berry jam and dark minerals. A juicy, sweetly extracted core is elegantly wrapped in harmonious tannins. The long finish has textures of dark fruit and notes of gianduja.

Rosenberg & Spiegel: Rosenberg: The "Rosenberg" vineyard site is one of the best sites in Feuersbrunn. It is situated on one of the highest areas used for wine growing in the Wagram. Spiegel: Soft, south-facing terraced site with a height similar to that of the Rosenberg, and protected against the northwest by the gravel ridge of the Hengstberg.

Artwork: by American artist Joanne Roberts Wittauer

Production: 2,000 bottles

Alc: 14 %vol.

Residual Sugar: 1g

Acidity: 5g

Producer Information

Anton Bauer, born in 1971, represents the 4th generation to manage the now 75 acres winery. After his graduation from the School of Wine and Fruit Growing in Krems, Lower Austria, and a training in Burgundy he worked for more than four years as an oenologist with a renowned Lower Austrian winery. Since 1992, when he took over the winery from his parents, at this time 8 acres, he has been uncompromisingly pursuing his ideas of quality, paying great attention to underlining the typically regional features and the terroir character of the wines that make them incomparable and unique. Anton Bauer was voted "**Winemaker of the Year 2016**" by the esteemed Falstaff Magazine in Austria. His wines have been highly rated by Wine Enthusiast and Falstaff Wine Guide.

Wine Region Wagram: The Wagram, a 25-mile long and 100-foot-high ridge between the towns of Krems and Tulln, consists of thousands of years old gravel sediments from the ancient Danube River.

Production: The physiologically ripe grapes are harvested by hand and handled as gentle as possible. When grapes come in from the vineyards they are hand-selected on a sorter belt. A long period of extensive contact with the yeast makes the wines harmonious, ensuring that there is a quality balance between acidity and alcohol. As the wines are bottled relatively late they can mature slowly. This is exactly part of Anton Bauer's philosophy: Things need time to develop, and wine needs time as well.