

QUINTESSENZ

KALTERERSEE CLASSICO SUPERIORE DOC 2021

VARIETAL: Schiava

AGE OF VINES: 30 – 70 years

TEMPERATURE: 13 – 15 °C

OPTIMAL AGING: 2022 – 2027

YIELD: 55 hl / ha

TRELLISING SYSTEM: Pergola

ALCOHOL: 13.0 %

RESIDUAL SUGAR: 2.0 g/l

TA: 5.2 g/l

Contains sulphites

» "Who is this Dionysus men worship as a god? He is their greatest source of joy". (Euripides, Cyclops 521) «

VINTAGE

The winter months were mainly sunny but very cold. In spring the temperature was slow to rise, and that delayed the vegetative development of the vines. This was only partly compensated by the warm and sunny start to the summer, while the weather in July and August was very varied. The grape harvest accordingly began relatively late, on September 9. The wet September was an organizational problem for our wine growers, but ultimately a very good harvest was completed on October 26.

VINIFICATION

Fermentation on the skins at a temperature of 25 °C, 10 days extended maceration, malo-lactic fermentation and a six-month aging on the fine lees in cement tanks and large casks.

VINEYARD

Selected vineyards at St. Josef with old vines and south exposition at 230 – 500 meters above sea level. Heat absorbing, loamy, chalky gravel.

TASTING NOTES

- brilliant, deep ruby red
- fruit dominant nose reminiscent of cherry, raspberry, and strawberry, with a hint of bitter almonds
- full, soft structure, pleasant, elegant tannins give the wine length, finishes with a lingering echo of ripe fruit

RECOMMENDATION

This wine is ideal as an aperitif, an accompaniment to appetizers, or to typical Tyrolean fare such as speck and sausage, but also to lighter meats and mild cheeses.

AWARDS

ROBERT PARKER – 2018: 90+ p., 2020: 92 p.

JAMES SUCKLING – 2019: 90 p., 2020: 90 p.

DECANTER – 2019: 90 p.

VINOUS – 2017: 91 p., 2018: 93 p., 2019: 92 p.

GAMBERO ROSSO – 2017: 3 Bicchieri, 2018, 2019: 2 Bicchieri Rossi, 2020: 3 Bicchieri

SLOW WINE – 2019: Vino Top, 2020: Vino Top

FALSTAFF – 2017: 91 p., 2018: 91 p., 2019: 92 p.,

THE WINE JOURNAL - EROS TEBONI – 2020: 94+ p.,