

DOMÄNE ROLAND CHAN – RIESLING SMARAGD WACHAU DAC RIED KLAUS 2021



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Domäne Roland Chan is the realisation of a dream of Roland Müsch and his family in 2017 – the creation of a boutique winery featuring the dry wall terraces in the heart of the Wachau. The terraces are toiled manually with deep respect for nature. The wines are a pure expression of the cultural heritage landscape. Since 2019 member of the Vinea Wachau.

Ried Klaus:

South-South-East facing, between 290m and 300m altitude, arranged in an amphitheatre around an old hut, on the upper boundary of Klaus. Migmatite-amphibolite is the sub-soil of these upper terraces. An ancient Fruehroter Veltliner is planted at the side of the hut. Riesling and Zweigelt vines of 20-30 years. Ried Klaus is famed for being one of the best Riesling slopes in the Wachau.

Vintage Note 2021:

The year started cold and with delayed budding - so there was no risk for any late frost. Flowering was nearly 3 weeks late, but development caught up in July. August gave us some concerns due to the rain, but the cold weather also protected the vines from fungal pressure but delayed again the development. An exceptional September in turn provided for perfect conditions and slowed further the ripening of the grapes. Last but not least, October could not have been better and this laid the backdrop for a perfect late harvest.

Harvest date: 31st October 2021

Winemaking notes

Cold maceration for 24h was an obvious decision. Slow natural fermentation in stainless steel ended bone dry. Left on the fine lees for 9 months, no fining and filtering. This great terroir made the wine itself without any intervention.

Tasting note

James Suckling 96: This amazing Wachau dry Riesling is as pristine as a mountain stream with incredible wet stone minerality. So straight and pure on the sleek and racy palate. Breathtakingly refreshing finish.

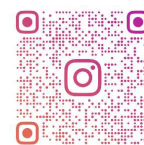
Falstaff 94: Light greenish yellow, with silver reflections. Inviting notes of yellow fruit, hints of marzipan and lanolin, with some saffron underneath. Juicy, elegant, white tropical fruit, mineral, with a salty finish, lingering, a delicate food companion.

Adi Schmid – Vinaría, ** TIPP:** Do I suspect wood? Vanilla notes, stone fruit comes through, pineapple, lime, dried pear, this is enormous stuff, densely structured, racy, the primary rock shimmers from the glass, a wine of absolute world class with a substance for many years. A very great Riesling. WINNING sends its regards.

Riesling Smaragd Wachau DAC
Ried Klaus 2021
Prüfnummer: N 16524/22
Production: 450 bottles and 50 Magnums

Alcohol: 18.9%
Dry extract: 24.0 g/l
Residual Sugar: 1.0 g/l
Acidity: 9.4 g/l
Total SO₂: 72 mg/l

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