DOMÄNE ROLAND CHAN –

RIESLING SMARAGD WACHAU RIED HÖLL 2022





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Domäne Roland Chan is the realisation of a dream of Roland Müksch 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. Since 2024 certified Sustainable Austria.

Ried Höll:

South facing, between 300m and 345m altitude, covering nearly the whole part of the south side of Ried Höll, the steep slopes have little top soil and the bedrock often breaks through. The south expositions makes this a hot site. Very steep terraces, all secured

with dry walls. A patchwork of different plots planted with a panoply of grape varieties - Grüner Veltliner, Riesling, Muskateller, Zweigelt and Weissburgunder (Pinot Blanc) and the odd vine that remains to be identified. Dotted with 5 different huts, a large walnut tree, a deer stand and a newly built tasting terrace - this vineyard is unlike any other.

Vintage Note 2022:

The 2022 wine-growing season was marked by unusually warm and dry weather. A mild winter and early spring provided optimal initial growth conditions, while a particularly hot summer accelerated ripening. However, timely rainfall in late summer prevented drought stress and supported the development of healthy, balanced grapes. This vintage has yielded wines with concentrated flavours, vibrant acidity, and good structure, and a more delicate structure than the 2021s.

Harvest date: 26th October 2022

Winemaking notes

The pre-harvests in Höll paid off and on harvest day we hauled in clean and mature grapes. The quality was superb and perfectly clean. We cold macerated for 16 hours overnight due to the purity of the fruit. Slow fermentation in stainless steel, to full dryness. Left on the fine lees for 9 months, no fining and filtering.

Tasting note

James Suckling 94:

This impressive Wachau Riesling is still very youthful, minty freshness overlaying the deep white peach fruit on the nose. Stunning concentration, vibrancy and purity on the sleek, medium-bodied palate. The wine's considerable power only becomes apparent at the driving finish, which has a bold, citrusy intensity.

Falstaff 93:

Medium greenish yellow, silver reflections. Fine yellow tropical fruit, a hint of peach and blossom honey, inviting bouquet. Juicy, freshly structured, delicate white tropical fruit, mineral and lemon touch, balanced, an animating food wine with good ageing potential.

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13.7%

21.6 g/l

1.6 g/l

6.2 g/l

93 mg/l

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Dry extract:

Acidity:

Total SO:

Residual Sugar:

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