

## Zweigelt

2017



An Austrian interbreed of Blaufränkisch and St. Laurent (a native grape sometimes linked to Pinot noir). Willi Bründlmayer bought the Langenlois cellar of the Zweigelt family together with a part of the vineyards. Traditionally we make a classic varietal wine from Zweigelt/Rotburger and only recently are exploring the potential as a reserve quality of this truly "all Austrian varietal".

The healthy, early maturing grapes are selectively harvested by hand and stay about 2 weeks on the skin before pressing. The must is fermented in stainless-steel tank and matured for about 12 to 24 months in large (2.400 liter) Austrian Oak casks.

## **Tasting Note:**

A fresh and gracefully built Zweigelt, with hints of sour cherry, black cherry skins, (blue)berries and a whiff of peppery spice; dry pure and fresh on the palate, elegant body bearing moderate but juicy fruit framed by subtle, still juvenile tannins and ending in a delicately spicy finish. Drinking pleasure in red!

## **ORIGIN & VINIFICATION**

Region: Niederösterreich Single Vineyard: -

**Soil Type:** Loess **Elevation:** 260 – 380 m

Slope Face: -

Harvest Date: 22. - 26. September 2017

Skin Contact: -

Ageing: Stainless steel/big wooden casks

Bottling Date: January 2020

## WINE DETAILS

Alcohol: 12.5 %vol. Acidity: 5.6 g/l Residual Sugar: dry

Serving Temperature:  $12-15^{\circ}$  C

**Food Pairing:** Pasta, antipasti, fresh cheeses, smoked trout, barbecues in summer, roasted veal & pork, venison, lamb, vegetable dishes

Bottled in: 75cl