

## **Blaufränkisch**

Reserve 2016

*vineyard:* Römerstein

*soil composition:* topsoil consists of mineral, moist black earth, subsoil with several layers of sandy loam

*elevation:* 383 ft

*average age of vines:* 48 years

*varietals:* 100% Blaufränkisch

*farming practice:* integrated

### *the vineyard*

It's located near the winery on the way to Podersdorf. In this particular area you have a lot of sunshine hours and a very warm climate. Furthermore the soil combination in this vineyard produces highly ripe grapes *that* help to keep the balance between ripeness and acidity. These are the ideal conditions for our full-bodied Blaufränkisch Reserve.

### *wine production*

harvest time: 23th September 2016

hand-harvested, grape and single berry selection, fermentation in temperature controlled stainless steel tanks at about 30 °C, spent 14 days on the skins before pressing, aged afterwards on the yeast for 17 months in new barriques

*alcoholic content:* 13.5 % by vol

*total acidity:* 5.5 g/l

*residual sugar:* 1.3 g/l

*potential:* 2018 – 2028+

### *tasting notes*

48-year-old vines from the single vineyard Römerstein give this Blaufränkisch structure and complexity. Deep black berry fruit and soft tannins balance beautiful black pepper spices. The finish is very long, smooth and silky with some of the spice and fruit returning.

### *food pairing*

Braised lamb, Roast duck, Beef tenderloin

*ideal temperature to drink:* 60-65 °F



## **WINERY Steindorfer**

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*wine-maker:* Roland & Ernst Steindorfer

*Winery size:* 25 acres

*total annual production:* 80.000 bottles

*grape varieties:* Welschriesling, Sauvignon Blanc, Muskateller, Pinot Gris, Chardonnay, Zweigelt, Blaufränkisch, St.Laurent, Merlot, Cabernet Sauvignon, Syrah

*region:* Neusiedlersee - Austria

*climate:* continental/pannonian

*soil:* mineral, moist black earth, sandy loam, fine white gravel