

Hunawihr Riesling Grand Cru Rosacker Alsace AOC



History/Geography

Formed in 1952, the Cave Vinicole de Hunawihr co-operative currently has 120 members. Situated around the village of Hunawihr, (9km northwest of Colmar) this co-op consists of family-owned winegrowers with a total vineyard coverage of 210 ha. The calcareous soil provides excellent vine-growing conditions. Located in the foothills of the Vosges mountain range, the region is characterised by undulating hillsides and very little rainfall. "Rosacker" is thought to owe its name to the wild rose of which an abundance historically grew in the vineyards. Roses were planted at the end of each row of vines as they would give an early indication of any disease. However, some believe that "Rosacker" relates to its soil, (acker) which was so heavy that it required horses, (ross) for ploughing.

Winemaking Techniques

The grapes are hand-harvested to ensure the highest of quality of fruit before undergoing a cool fermentation of 80 days. In order to preserve the purity of flavour and nuances of character, the wine does not go through malolactic fermentation. Aging on fine lees occurs for a minimum of four months prior to bottling.

Tasting Note

Powerful and aromatic, retaining youthful aromas of lemon and orange peel, peach and white pear. Elegant and well-structured on the palate showcasing typical characteristics of the Rosacker site, including fresh stone fruit flavours and vibrant lime on the finish. The wine will continue to develop, moving to more mineral tones and refined citrus.

Food Pairings

Perfect with fish or poultry in creamy sauces or with veal.

Producer

Cave Vinicole de
Hunawihr

Country

France

Region

Alsace

Variety

Riesling

Typical ABV

12.5 %

Oak

None

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