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Blatterle

2021

Vines and grapes:

The Blatterle is a very old indigenous variety that has almost been forgotten. The name probably comes from the shape of the berries. 50 years ago, it was one of the most important white wine varieties in the lower Eisack Valley and now only 1.6 hectares of the 5400 hectares of vineyards in South Tyrol are planted with this variety. The large, flattened green berries thrive on the 50year-old vines. In 2012, we grafted new vines from the old ones.

Terroir and origin:

The Rielinger has planted 0.2ha with Blatterle at 700m above sea level. Fruity, mineral wines thrive on the steep southern slope at the foot of Ritten with deep moraine soils consisting of sandy loam and topsoil from the Bolzano porphyry plateau. This characteristic is typical of the lower Eissack Valley, to which the growing area also belongs.

Vinification and philosophy:

With this wine, we want to preserve an old variety and have a niche product in our range. In the vineyard, we work to reduce the yield (7000 kg/ha) in order to obtain excellent quality. It is fermented spontaneously, macerated on the skins for a week and completed malolactic fermentation. Maturation for one year in large acacia barrels and one year in stainless steel tanks.

Wine description:

Fresh, slightly fruity wine, pleasant citrus notes, reminiscent of aniseed and green apple, short finish, racy acidity. Enjoyed on hot summer days, the Blatterle refreshes like a cool pinch.

Ideal drinking temperature 9°C

Technical data:			
Alcohol	10 % vol.	SO ² tot.	27 mg/l
Acidity Residual	4,8 g/l	Bottling	June 2023
sugar	< 1 g/l		

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The weather diagram of the vintage is shown on the label, as the weather of a year has a considerable influence on the subsequent wine.