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## *RK Grauburgunder*

<b>CLASSIFICATION</b>	<b>RK Kollektion</b>
<b>PRÄDIKAT</b>	<b>QbA</b>
<b>TASTE</b>	<b>dry</b>
<b>VINTAGE</b>	<b>2019</b>
<b>BOTTLE SIZE</b>	<b>0,75 l</b>
<b>ALCOHOL</b>	<b>12,5 % Vol</b>
<b>RESIDUAL SUGAR</b>	<b>4,8 g/l</b>
<b>ACIDITY</b>	<b>6,0 g/l</b>
<b>SULFITES</b>	<b>contains sulfites</b>

### PROFILE

Slim, fruity and uncomplicated, this Grauburgunder (aka Pinot Gris) is fun to drink in many different contexts. Very elegant and pleasant on the nose, with rose petal, almond blossom and a hint of vanilla. Kiwi and gooseberry notes lend tremendous freshness to the palate. Long and full-bodied on the finish.

### RATINGS

Ronn Wiegand, Restaurant Wine - 4 / 5 stars

### PAIRS BEAUTIFULLY WITH...

Saltimbocca with sage and Parma ham; poultry dishes; varied tapas; pea soup or stew.

### VINTAGE

Only a moderate amount of rain had replenished our dry soils in the winter months. The buds already began to swell in mid-April amid temperatures 2°C warmer than the long-term average.

During Easter weekend green shoots appeared in all our vineyards. The mercury fell below zero on 5 and 6 May. Many fledgling shoots were destroyed cutting our crop by around 25%.

Spring and summer were very sunny, and flowering turned out to be a very swift affair from the middle to the end of July in all three river valleys. Temperatures hit a record high of 41.6°C and 35°C in July and August. This led to further crop losses.

By the end of summer, the grape skins were quite firm and unyielding. Grapes started splitting once the rain set in at the beginning of the harvest. The fruit kept on splitting as unfavourable weather continued during picking. This inevitably led to grape rot. The harvest began on 23 September and ended on 17 October, yielding 35 hl/ha of juice. Oechsle levels were generally between 90 and 110 degrees.