



2013 Jutta Ambrositsch Grinzing Gemischter Satz Sommeregge Reserve Alte Reben

A Proprietary Blend Dry White Table wine from Austria,,Weinland Landwein,Vienna,Austria

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From 60-year-old vines and "at east 20 different varieties," as Jutta said, the 2013 Grinzing Gemischter Satz Sommeregge Reserve Alte Reben is a floral and herbal-scented field blend of roughly 20 grape varieties. Deep, but fresh and elegant on the nose, this full-bodied, concentrated and juicy wine is quite powerful and dense on the palate, as well as focused, with a somewhat Chartreuse-like character. The finish has good grip and reveals the mineral character of this wine, which I recommend keeping for another two years. Jutta Kalchbrenner (formerly Ambrositsch) cultivates eight hectares of vines, of which four hectares are in Vienna (origin: Wien) and the other four hectares are in Gumpoldskirchen (origin: Thermenregion), where she took over the holdings of Weingut Hasenöhr in 2014. Whereas in Vienna the focus is on the traditional field blend (Gemischter Satz) in Gumpoldskirchen (Jutta is living next door), she honors the traditional "Gumpoldskirchner" with an assemblage of traditional grape varieties such as Neuburggrer, Welschriesling, Zierfandler and Rotgipfler. "My dream is making wine along the axis Vienna-Gumpoldskirchen-Triest," she says. "Gumpoldskirchen is insanely beautiful and ugly at the same time, as Grinzing is too. But exactly this dialectic is so appealing to me..." The wines Jutta presented in February at Weingut Wienerer are among the very finest the metropolitan wine district of Vienna has to offer. Weinbau Ambrositsch produces pure, fresh, straight and authentic wines that are very enjoyable to drink, but can be stored for several years too. They sell out quickly, and so Jutta was the first producer who presented me several 2014s. Nota bene: Jutta sells her field blends (Gemischter Satz) from Vienna's districts Grinzing and Sievering as Weinland Landweine instead as under the Wiener Gemischter Satz DAC. This is because "our vineyards are so old that we don't want to press our wines in any regulations," she says, ignoring that this is true for most of Vienna's field blends but no excuse for her colleagues not to submit themselves to the DAC regulations. Officially, the geographic indication Weinland Landwein pools easy-drinking – mostly white – wines from Austria's eastern provinces Niederösterreich (Lower Austria), Burgenland and Wien (Vienna). These are normally light, dry and fruity wines provided with a pronounced acidity whereas they don't reflect neither their – very heterogeneous – soils nor their climates. In case of Jutta Ambrositsch, however, they do. These are excellent wines even as Weinland Landweine and the only problem could be to get a Gemischter Satz onto your table. Importer(s): Carlo Huber Selections, +1.917.742.0601, <http://www.carlohuber.com/>
