Weingut JURTSCHITSCH Langenlois



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Grape variety: Sankt Laurent Soil: calcareous loam-loess soil ABV: 12.5 %vol Ac: 5.8 % RS: 1.0 g/l Ageing potential: 2031

St. Laurent 2021 Jungle

Our very old St. Laurent vines are rooted in a southeast-facing vineyard in the Langenlois Ried Hasel, from where we can enjoy a magnificent view of the Zöbing Ried Heiligenstein while working in the vineyard. But it was not only the beautiful view that attracted us. St. Laurent is a traditional local grape variety that inspires us year after year.

The old vineyard had not been cultivated for several years and when we were able to start working on the parcels, our first vineyard work was like an expedition in the jungle. We were and still are convinced of the great potential of the vineyard and, as part of a recultivation project, we cared for the vines. Although the yields are minimal, we are pleased that we were able to preserve a piece of this expressive grape variety in the Kamptal through recultivation.

Vintage 2021

2021 was a particularly varied year in the vineyards and once again demanded a lot of experience, sensitivity and intuition. After a cool spring and late flowering, the summer was very varied: sometimes sunny, sometimes rainy, but without heat waves. As changeable as the year had been until then, the weather remained stable during the harvest. The exceptionally beautiful and consistent autumn weather gave us the opportunity to harvest our parcels with absolute precision. The condition of the grapes was just perfect and the ripeness, acidity and aroma indicate an exceptional vintage that will be reflected in vibrant terroir-driven wines with longevity.

Making of the wine

The grapes were harvested by hand and gently brought to the winery in small boxes. Part of the grapes was destemmed, part was fermented whole bunch for about 10 days on the mash. During this time, the mash was poured over daily with the juice. The fermentation was spontaneous and after the malolactic fermentation the wine was allowed to mature calmly in small wooden barrels.

Style

The characteristics of St. Laurent reflect in its essence pretty much what we associate with great red wines. Translated into natural conditions of the Kamptal this means: elegance and lightness with substance and expressiveness at the same time, aromatic depth, filigree red fruit, cool minerality, fine but bundling tannin, a clear focus and a lot of pressure on the palate.

