Zweigelt Estoras Esterhazy 2022



Region

Despite the country`s image as the producer of some of the world`s finest white wines, Austria is also home to a thriving red wine culture. Burgenland, south-east of Vienna, with its sunny, continental summers, is the country`s key red wine region, with its wines based mainly on the Blaufränkisch and Zweigelt grape varieties. The region occupies a narrow strip of land that runs from the Danube River down to Steiermark in the south. On its eastern side is the border with Hungary, and to the west lies the most eastern foothills of the Alps. Burgenland`s Lake Neusiedl (Neusiedlersee) is one of the viticultural focus points, tempering the climate of the hot continental region.

Producer

The Esterhazy family have been producing wine in the Burgenland for over 300 years. The historical winery was in cellars under the palace in Eisenstadt, but in 2006 a new, high-tech winery was opened at Trausdorf. The Estate now holds 65 hectares spread over the hills near Eisenstadt heading down towards Lake Neusiedlersee. These sites were chosen specifically for their geological structure with rich mineral soil types. With further plantings have come strict re forestry programmes to ensure no environmental impact. Since 2006 Esterhazy have been moving towards more modern and environmentally friendly viticulture, practicing organic farming with certification from the 2023 harvest onwards.

Tasting Notes

This Zweigelt is grown on rich clay loam and limestone soils which imparts powerful fruit and mineral finesse. Fermented at controlled temperatures for nine days followed by a split maturation, 70% is aged for nine months in 500L barrels and the rest aged in steel to keep fresh fruit character, both parts then blended for a further 6 months ageing. Dominated by a dark cherry character and wild strawberries, with hints of toast and vanilla. The palate is elegant with soft tannins and a long juicy finish.

Food

This wine harmonizes with roasted and braised dishes, such as goulash, tagine or roasted peppers.

Technical Information

Country	Austria
Region	Burgenland
Grape(s)	Zweigelt (100%)
Type	Red
Style	Fruity
Oaked Style	Lightly oaked
Body Style	Medium bodied
Sustainable	Yes-sustainable practices

Dry/Sweet Style	Bone dry	
Alcohol Content	12%	
Closure Style	Screw cap	
Organic/Biodynamic	In conversion-organic	
Allergens	**Milk:**	No
	Egg:	No
Vegetarian/Vegan	**Vegetarian:**	Yes
	Vegan:	Yes

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