# YWAIN Merlot 2016

IGT Weinberg Dolomiten / Vigneti delle Dolomiti

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## Wine Description

Vivid ruby red. Fruity bouquet: red berries, raspberries, cherries and currant, hints of green bell pepper and black pepper. Rich and mouth-coating, velvety tannins and lively acidity play together harmoniously. Ideal with game, dark meat, creamy Risotti and cheese.

Still wine   red   dry
14 %
1.9 g/l
4.67 g/l
vegan, organic, bio-dynamic
sulfites
16 - 18 °C
12 years

90

#### Award

Falstaff:

#### Vineyard

Origin: Quality grade: Site:

Site Type: Varietal: Geografical Orientation: Sea Level: Soil: Italy, South Tyrol, Bozen & Umgebung, Bozen IGT Weinberg Dolomiten / Vigneti delle Dolomiti St. Justina Schwarhof "Zypresse" (1990), St. Justina Kohlerhof "Braun" (2000) hillside Merlot 100 % | 21 years south east, south 470 - 480 m moraine deposits | large | top soil sand | medium | top soil loam | medium | top soil Porphyr | large | sub soil

#### Weather / Climate

Climate:

alpin, mediteranian

#### Harvest and Maturing

Harvest: Fermentation:	handpicked   16 kg cask spontaneous with pied de cuve
Malolactic Fermentation:	yes
Fermentation Process:	délestage   1 - 3 x day   Duration: 5 days
	pump over   1 x day   Duration: 18 days
Maturing:	20 %   barrique   225 L   new barrel   12 month(s)
	80 %   barrique   225 L   used barrel   12 month(s)
	100 %   oak barrel   2200 L   used barrel   12 month(s)

Bottling:

#### **Product Codes**

EAN:

8032130029059

#### Curiosity

In 1973 a romantic fresco cycle from the 13th century was uncovered in the castle of Rodengo, near Brixen. These frescos tell the first part of the French-Celtic saga of Hartmann von Aue about the knight "Iwein" or "Ywain". It is the eponym for our Merlot, also for its obvious similarity to the name wine.

#### **Food Pairing**

Goes very well with game dishes, piquant cheese, strong pasta and creamy risotti.

### Vintage 2016

An Exciting Year for Both Reds and Whites The capricious summer of 2016 posed a good many challenges to Alto Adige winegrowers: aside from a few hot summer days, there were numerous wet days with above-average rainfall. This required a great deal of attention and diligence in the vineyard. The growers had to exercise great care. What was necessary was a very precise observation of the vines as well as targeted measures, such as cluster division. All of that meant hard work and a particularly large amount of effort in the vineyards. (Südtirol Wein)