



WEIN VOM LEITHABERG

# Leithaberg Weissburgunder 2019

Leithaberg DAC

<b>Origin:</b>	Austria, Burgenland, Leithaberg, Eisenstadt
<b>Quality grade:</b>	Leithaberg DAC
<b>Site:</b>	Eisenstaedter single vineyard Feiersteig
<b>Site Type:</b>	hilly land
<b>Varietal:</b>	Weißburgunder   28 - 45 years 7000 plants/ha   3500 liter/ha
<b>Geographical Orientation:</b>	south east
<b>Sea Level:</b>	200 - 220 m
<b>Soil:</b>	calcareous   large brown earth limestone from Leitha humus   medium



## Vineyard Site:

The Leithaberg is the last remnant of the Alps reaching toward the Pannonian Plain. Its shell limestone soil is millions of years old and offers optimal conditions to grow complex wines. This unique calcareous soil and the cool winds from the adjacent Leithaberg Forest lends the wines an inimitable mineral, highly structured character.

## Weather / Climate

**Climate:** pannonic

## Cellar

<b>Harvest:</b>	handpicked   September 17
<b>Malolactic</b>	no
<b>Fermentation:</b>	
<b>Skin Contact:</b>	8 - 12 hour(s)
<b>Fermentation:</b>	spontaneous large wooden barrel   2500 L   used barrel   15 - 20 day(s)
<b>Maturing:</b>	large wooden barrel   2500 L   used barrel   10 month(s)
<b>Bottling:</b>	screw cap   Sept. 2, 2020   3220 bottles

## Data

<b>Wine Type:</b>	Still wine   white   dry
<b>Alcohol:</b>	14.5 %
<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	1.8 g/l
<b>Acid:</b>	6.1 g/l
<b>Certificates:</b>	bio-organic, AT-BIO-402
<b>Allergens:</b>	sulfites
<b>Drinking Temperature:</b>	10 - 12 °C
<b>Aging Potential:</b>	high (15 years)
<b>Optimum Drinking</b>	2021 - 2034
<b>Year:</b>	

## Awards

**Falstaff:** 92



## **Wine Description**

The shy nose gives little away but hints at subtle pear and cream. The palate comes in with measured roundness, speaking of the warmth of the vintage but contained by a certain chalky coolness and bright lemon freshness. There is a lovely texture and a concentrated midpalate that leads to a long, rounded finish.

## **Winery**

Erwin Tinhof owns vineyards in Eisenstadt, that grow on the slopes of the Leitha Mountains. The grapes nurtured are indigenous varieties, and this has been so for 11 generations. The 15 hectare estate is cultivated in tune with local nature; Erwin Tinhof practises dry farming and does not apply any use of insecticides or herbicides, nor artificial fertilisation, to any of his vines. The estate vineyards are up to 50 years old, and contain grape varieties that are virtually completely Austria, such as the white Neuburger and Weißburgunder (Pinot blanc) as well as the black varieties Blaufränkisch and increasingly Sankt Laurent. The wines are produced from estate vineyards and following a hand harvest and winemaking with minimal intervention, the wines are bottled in the Tinhof winery. Effective from the 2012 harvest, the winery became a certified naturally organic producer.

## **Food recommendation**

Fish and light meat with spicy vegetables, strong hard cheeses