



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Toni and Ilse Bodenstein
Winemaker: Toni Bodenstein
Total acreage under vine: 43
Estate founded: 1715
Winery production: 3,200 Bottles
Region: Wachau
Country: Austria

Prager Wachstum Bodenstein Riesling 2015

WINE DESCRIPTION

When Franz Prager co-founded the Vinea Wachau in 1983, he had already established a reputation as one of Austria's best winemakers. The marriage of Franz's daughter, Ilse, to Dr. Toni Bodenstein in the 1990s was the catalyst for sweeping renaissance at the winery. Bodenstein, a biologist, geologist and historian, spent years studying the geology of the region and focused much of his attention on preserving genetic diversity. His "Arche Noah" project, a planting of old Grüner Veltliner and Riesling clones is the result of his work. Bodenstein's scholarly approach, passion for biodiversity, and brilliant winemaking has elevated Prager to the highest echelon of Austrian wine producers.

TASTING NOTES

This light golden yellow wine has enticing aromas of pineapple, apricot, and green apple. On the palate, the wine has flavors of white peach and honey, with firm acid and a long, citrusy finish.

FOOD PAIRING

Pair with salmon ceviche, chicken piccata, or moo shu pork.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Vineyard name:	The Wachstum Bodenstein vineyard
Vineyard size:	2
Soil composition:	Gneiss, Mica Schist, and Silty-Loam
Elevation:	1,380-1,520 feet
Vines/acre:	2,720
Yield/acre:	1.6 tons
Exposure:	Southern
Year vineyard planted:	1990
Harvest time:	November
First vintage of this wine:	1997
Bottles produced of this wine:	3,200

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition:	100% Riesling
Fermentation container:	Stainless steel tanks
Length of alcoholic fermentation:	35 days
Fermentation temperature:	64 °F
Type of aging container:	Stainless steel tanks
Length of aging before bottling:	7 months
Length of bottle aging:	2 months