



Name: Protner Riesling

Classification: Dry white wine

Varietals: 100% Riesling

Appellation: Lower Styria (Štajerska): Semperska Gorca / Celestrina

Vine Training: Mono-guyot, average vine age is 30 years

Density & Yield: 5,000 Vines/ha; 1.3 kg/vine

Annual Production: 7,200 Bottles

Analytical Data: Alc 12.6%, total acidity 6.9 g/L, residual sugar 6.7 g/L

Climate: Continental cool climate, with snowy and cold winters, and sunny and mild spring, with sun-drenching summers.

Terrain: All vineyards are located on steep 30-45° slopes with partial southern-exposure, 320 meters above sea level. Nights are refreshingly chilly, as the winds whip around the sharp hills and valleys.

Soil: White marl, most of it being fine grains, with some rocky soil

Farming: Environmentally friendly integrated cultivation (sustainable farming) on a small family farm.

Vinification: Manual harvest of totally clean, healthy grapes, de-stemmed, fermented in a steel tank with no added yeasts, and then matured for one month. Aged for 8 months on lees in old 2,000 liter oak barrels and bottled after one coarse filtering.

Tasting Notes: Pretty aromas of roses, linden blossoms, apricot and peach are complemented by a touch of petroleum. Electric, fresh and lively palate is super elegant, with mature acidity and tremendous chalky minerality.

Serving Suggestions: Enjoy chilled with the classic pork, veal, poultry, funky cheeses, charcuterie, grains or of course dry Riesling with raging acidity is fantastic with sushi/sashimi and various Thai curries with spice

Winery: House Joannes Protner is located five kilometers from the centre of Maribor, in the direction of Malečnik. Run by Boštjan Protner and his wife, Mojca, they are now heavily assisted by their children Martin and Ana (Ana was recently awarded the title of Slovenian Wine Queen in 2021!). The family has been devoted to viticulture for over three decades and now have a total of 13 hectares of vineyards.

The vineyards are up to 45 years old and located on steep 30-45° slopes. Nights are refreshingly chilly and receive tons of winds through the sharp Štajerska hills and valleys. The family is well known by their three beautiful vineyard sites of Vodole, Šempetrska Gorca and Celestrina.

All viticulture on their small family farm is practicing organic and all fermentations are done with native yeasts, with only small amounts of sulfur additions done at bottling.