

Ried Spitzerberg-OBERE ROTERD 2019 1ÖTW

The Obere Roterd is a sub-vineyard on the Spitzerberg with a total surface of three hectares. It is situated on the western part of the slope, and stretches like a tiny strip on an altitude between 210 and 240 meters, bordering the bushes of the natural reserve.

The soil is sandy, very dry limestone, including also bigger and smaller pieces of limestones.

The wines of Obere Roterd are – like nearly all wines from Spitzerberg – marked by elegant freshness and a very dense structure. Typical and unique for this sub-vineyard is a creamy, silky texture, which deliver it special character of charme to the wines.

We cultivate five vineyard parcels of Blaufränkisch on the Obere Roterd with a total surface of 1,3 hectares (and another 0,5 hecatres of Syrah). The vines were planted between 1965 and 2004, which guarantees a wonderful vertical complexity to the wine.

The difference between the Obere Roterd and the neighboring Untere (Lower) Roterd is impressive. The Untere Roterd has, probably due to erosion an higher content of loamy soils, which makes the wines more fruity and earlier approachable. The grapes of the Untere Roterd are used for the village wine Prellenkirchen Samt&Seide.

Vintage 2019

The end of spring was cool and humid, which provided enough water to the soils for a long and very dry summer. Autumn, too, was dry and sunny, but become the weather became chilly quite early.

With all these ups and downs, in the end, the vintage brought ideal conditions for an outstanding vintage, that shows complexity, density and elegant freshness at the same time. Together with 2017, the year 2019 is definitely the greatest year of the decade on Spitzerberg.



Basic Information

VARIETIES Blaufränkisch 100%

ALCOHOL 13%

RESIDUAL SUGAR 1g

TARTARIC ACID 6g

BOTTLES 2.000

Ratings

JAMES SUCKLING 95

FALSTAFF 94

A LA CARTE 96

GAULT&MILLAU 17,5

ROBERT PARKER WINE ADVOCATE 93