



VILLA WOLF 2015 Gewürztraminer



VILLA WOLF VARIETAL WINES

The Villa Wolf varietal line-up includes exceptionally affordable, classic Pfalz wines made from traditional varieties. These value-priced wines combine Villa Wolf estate-grown fruit with grapes from contracted growers.

THE PFALZ REGION

The Pfalz (aka 'Palatinate') region is in the Rhine river valley in southwest Germany, directly north of France's Alsace region. The low-lying Haardt mountains protect the area from cold, wet Atlantic weather, making it one of the warmer and drier areas of Germany. Wine grapes do quite well here where it is possible to achieve full ripeness in every vintage. The predominant soil type in this area is well-drained, weathered sandstone. It produces wines with a fruit-driven purity and a stony structure.

THE 2015 VINTAGE

After a dry winter and a very hot summer, the vines had been a bit stressed, but in a positive way, producing grapes that were small and very aromatic. We harvested perfectly ripe grapes in a record-breaking pace, finishing at the end of September. The Gewürztraminer is beautifully balanced with a lovely aroma that shows the classic rose petal character of the variety.

WINEMAKING NOTES & TECHNICAL INFO

- Harvested at optimal ripeness for a bright, fresh style. No overripe or botrytis-affected fruit is allowed.
- Fruit processed as quickly as possible to preserve freshness.
- Fermentation and maturation in stainless steel tanks.
- Malolactic fermentation is avoided in order to maintain lively acidity.
- Light filtration before bottling. No other filtering or fining.
- **Alcohol:** 11.5%
- **Residual Sweetness:** 18.3 grams/liter
- **Total Acidity:** 6.2 grams/liter
- **UPC:** 183103000020

KEY POINTS

- Excellent value for a classically produced Pfalz wine from Ernst Loosen.
- Bottled with the Stelvin screw-cap closure for freshness and convenience.
- Aromatic, off-dry style works well with strong cheeses and spicy foods.

ABOUT THE WINEMAKERS

Patrick and Sumi met while working in the cellar at Dr. Loosen. Together they now manage the entire winemaking process at Villa Wolf, from vine to cellar. They share Ernst Loosen's philosophy that great wines are created on the vine, so they employ sustainable practices to foster a balanced environment in the vineyards.