

Bela Rex

Grape varieties: 50 % Cabernet Sauvignon, 50 % Merlot

Vintage: 2018

Vine age: 30 – 40 Jahre

Soil: Gravelly loess and calcareous loam

Vinification: All grapes are picked by hand. The harvest of the blend began in

September with Merlot, followed by Cabernet Sauvignon at the beginning of October. Weather conditions were perfect. Each grape variety was vinified separately. Spontaneous fermentation on the skins took place in stainless steel with submersion of the cap 2-4 times daily. Malolactic fermentation followed in oak barrels. The wines matured for 25 months in small oak barrels. After assemblage of the blend, it

matured for another six months in large wooden barrels.

Bottling: September 2021

Analysis: Alcohol by volume 14.5 %, residual sugar 1.0 g/l, acidity 6.1 g/l

Tasting note: Dark ruby with an opaque core and purple highlights. Subtle nougat

and ripe dark berries with nuances of fig and candied orange zest over a background of sandalwood spice. Ripe wild cherry is elegantly highlighted by juicy acidity and textured with well-rounded tannins. The finish lingers long with a delicate touch of chocolate and showcases a wine that is already well developed and still has excellent

ageing potential.

Best enjoyment: 2021 – 2031, with optimal storage

Drinking temperature: $16 - 18 \,^{\circ}\text{C} (60-64 \,^{\circ}\text{F})$

Food pairing: Dark meat and game dishes

Available bottle sizes: 0.375 l, 0.75 l, Magnum (1.5 l), double Magnum (3 l), Imperial (6 l),

Salmanazar (9 l), Balthazar (12 l), Nebuchadnezzar (15 l),

Melchior (181)

Albert und Silvia Gesellmann wish abundant enjoyment with this wine!