



## 2015 Wachenheimer Altenburg P.C.

- Vineyard:** One of the top sites in Wachenheim, 1.22 ha/3 acres in extent, its origins go back to the late medieval era, altitude (130-150 m/ 430-500 feet above sea-level). Our parcel is 0.4 ha/ 1 acre in extent. This is an east-facing slope enjoying optimum sunshine which warms the white gravel and sandstone soil. There, the roots are very well supplied with water and minerals.
- Classification:** We have created a quality pyramid for our wines using ratings from the Royal Bavarian Vineyard Classification of 1828. Our quality philosophy is based on the Burgundian “Cru” system. The G.C. and P.C. Rieslings are growing in our most valuable vineyard sites. Below these are the village Rieslings, the Estate Riesling rounds off the quality pyramid.
- Vintage:** A mild winter was followed by a warm spring with low rainfall. Dry, warm weather at the beginning of June meant early and almost perfect flowering. The summer was very dry and hot from beginning to end, but thanks to our Biodynamic methods our deep rooted vines still found the water they needed. 2015 was surely one of the earliest vintages on record also one of the quickest. Base wines for our Sekt were already harvested at the end of August, the main harvest was over by October 2<sup>nd</sup>, all grapes were healthy and perfectly ripe with excellent acidity.
- Harvest:** Selective handpicking in September 2015 followed by gentle pressing.
- Biodynamics:** Out of respect for our vineyards and their wines we have worked biodynamically since 2005.
- Vinification:** Spontaneous fermentation in large, old oak casks, 12 month maturation in the same casks.
- Tasting Note:** The typical creaminess and fresh minerality provide the perfect drinking pleasure. A wine with an excellent ageing potential.
- Analysis:**
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| Alcohol:        | 13,0 % vol. |
| Residual Sugar: | 7,6 g/l     |
| Acidity:        | 6,9 g/l     |
- Contains sulfites.