



Castel Sallegg



Merlot

Alto Adige Merlot Riserva, DOC 2019

Dark ruby, intense berry aromas, with spicy notes of wood, velvety tannins, complex, long.



It can get hot in summer in the vineyards of the historic Seehof south of Caldaro. This is where the grapes for our Merlot Riserva grow. Refreshing ventilation is delivered by winds from the south and from the mountains. A unique wine: with an elegant bouquet of currant, ripe plum, green pepper, tobacco and vanilla. The delicate acidity and well-integrated tannins give the wine good balance. The finish is powerful and long.

Manual harvest and selection of the grapes from the historic vineyards with the oldest vines. Destemming and mash fermentation under controlled temperature in stainless steel tanks. After malolactic fermentation, 12 months' ageing in barriques (30% new). Assemblage 2 to 3 months before bottling and a further 12 months of ageing in the bottle.



100% Merlot



6–8 years, very good vintages also longer



Caldaro, Seehof: 230–280 m above sea-level, steep slope in the immediate vicinity of Lake Caldaro, deep, humus-rich, sandy clay soil on calcareous gravel



Ideal with grilled and roasted meat, lamb and game dishes, mild cheese



Alcohol 14.5% by vol.
Acidity 5.9 g/l
Residual sugar 1.1 g/l



16–18°C



Vintage 2017: AIS VITAE (4 viti), Falstaff (92), James Suckling (90)
2016: Falstaff (90) | **2015:** Falstaff (90)



Bottle sizes: 750 ml / 1500 ml

Castel Sallegg Winery

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Nobility obliges, pleasure beguiles.

Owned by the Counts of Kuenburg since 1851, the Castel Sallegg Winery includes three historic vineyards in Caldaro – Leisenhof, Preyhof and Seehof – each with its own distinctive terroir. The wine range comprises the three lines Nobilis, Serenis and Imperialis.