



# PFAFFL

## GRÜNER VELTLINER HOMMAGE, WEINVIERTEL DAC RESERVE 2012

### BACKGROUND

The Pfaffl family's greatest strength is their unity. The family focuses on crafting impeccable wines that reflect authentic Austrian terroir through their depth, minerality, and balance. Everyone plays a fulfilling role in which they can evolve. Roman Josef Pfaffl is the winemaker, and his sister, Heidi Fischer, oversees the commercial side. Father Roman Pfaffl looks after the vineyards and mother Adelheid watches over the newest generation. For close to 40 years, the Pfaffls have been ambassadors for high quality Grüner Veltliner, Riesling, Chardonnay, Zweigelt, and St. Laurent. In just under 20 years, Roman Pfaffl Sr. ambitiously grew a little farm with less than two acres of vines into a nearly 50 acre wine estate, meandering through 10 villages throughout Weinviertel appellation in Niederösterreich (Lower Austria).

Their respect for their family translates into their sustainable vineyard management and wine philosophy. Meticulous canopy management, manual selection of grapes, and sensitivity for the vines' needs allow the Pfaffl's to produce top quality wines year after year. Dedication to this quality has earned Weingut R&A Pfaffl the prestigious honor of being named Wine Enthusiast's "European Winery of the Year 2016," a first for an Austrian winery.

### APPELLATION

Weinviertel, Austria

### VARIETAL COMPOSITION

100% Grüner Veltliner

### TERROIR & VINTAGE NOTES

A tribute to winery founder, Roman Pfaffl Sr., the HOMMAGE Grüner Veltliner is the top white wine of the estate and is an exclusive selection of the best, old-vine grapes from the family's estates.

### WINEMAKING & AGEING

In the cellar, the hand-harvested grapes have been squeezed and must stands approximately ten hours before being pressed by a pneumatic press with low pressure. Grapes are fermented in 2000L Austrian Acacia barrels aged for five months before bottling.

### TASTING NOTES

Mature profile of rich pineapple fruit and blood orange. Tobacco and spice notes compliment the deep fruit on the profile.

This Grüner Veltliner nears an almost Burgundian-style, for its deep, mature aromas and palate. A great contemplative wine.

### WINEMAKER

Roman Josef Pfaffl

### TECHNICAL DATA

Alcohol  
14.5%

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R&A  
AUSTRIA



**91** WINE ENTHUSIAST  
POINTS May 2014

**90** PTS WINE ADVOCATE 4/14

