

Let us give you one reason to read this newsletter and try F.X. Pichler, if you have not - Robert Parker once said this: "F.X. Pichler is the Chateau Latour, Domaine de la Romanée-Conti, Zind-Humbrecht, Sandrone and Helen Turley of the Wachau."

You may ask, what is the common point of the above wineries? Apart from the fact that all of them are among the best wineries in their own regions, they are all experts in crafting wines that are powerful in an elegant, almost aristocratic way; and their flagship wines can all age gracefully. This is the same case for F.X. Pichler, one of Austria's very best wineries with a specialty in Gruner Veltliner and Riesling.

If you find Gruner Veltliner (lovingly abbreviated "Gruener" by its fans) an unfamiliar grape variety, consider this versatile variety Austria's wine version of "Mozart".

1. Gruner is Austria's signature grape variety. You can barely find any other countries planting this grape variety extensively like Austria. Some experimental plantings can be found in New Zealand but they are far from becoming a mainstream option.
2. Gruner can be like Mozart in his child prodigy stage - crisp, focused, snappy, surprisingly ahead of other young wines in terms of precision and depth. Gruner, especially those coming from single vineyards, can be effortlessly impressive when young.
3. Gruner has the ability to evolve and just like Mozart, it will gain complexity whilst not losing its charm. WW team has tried older single vineyard FX Pichler Gruner going all the way back to vintage 1997, at 20 years of age it shows an amazing array of dessicated tropical fruit, evolved bacon fat and comte tones, and splendid roundness and balance.

WW team find this amazing selection of highly scored crisp Austrian white wines coming directly from the cellars of F.X. Pichler. Drink some, keep the rest - **WW tips is to drink the Federspiel (these are dry, medium-bodied, elegantly balanced wines) first, and cellar the Smaragd (these are complex, full-bodied wines with a long ageing potential).**



**F.X. Pichler Riesling Loibner Steinertal
Smaragd 2014**

**Wine Enthusiast 95 Points
Vinous Antonio Galloni 95 Points**



**F.X. Pichler Riesling Durnsteiner Kellerberg
Smaragd 2014**

**Wine Enthusiast 95 Points
Vinous Antonio Galloni 95 Points
Wine Advocate 94 Points
Wine Spectator 93 Points**

Wine Enthusiast:

"Bergamot and lemon, grapefruit and tangerine... inviting, fragrant pool of refreshment. There is a powdery edge too, and quite some texture, despite the most slender of bodies... represents depth rather than power and is a ticket straight to a citrusy Riesling heaven. With age this will get even better."

HK\$390

Loose Bottle

HK\$320

Mix Case of 12

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**F.X. Pichler
Riesling Loibner Loibenberg
Smaragd 2016**

James Suckling 96 Points
Wine Enthusiast 96 Points
Falstaff 94-96 Points
Wine Advocate 93-94 Points

Wine Enthusiast:

"A faint, flinty touch of reduction still informs this wine's lifted citrus scents.... a taut, textured structure sends zesty lemon flavors darting across the tongue. It has concentration, freshness, fruit and potential. This may become smoother but will remain beautifully slender."

Wine Enthusiast:

"The palate unfolds in a still tightly contained bundle of lemon zest and juiciness... riper texture, reminiscent of bitter orange zest and just as full of aromatic promise. This is wiry and slender but will mellow into seductive freshness and slick, almost cheeky tartness."

HK\$630

Loose Bottle

HK\$500

Mix Case of 12

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**F.X. Pichler Gruner Veltliner
Durnsteiner Liebenberg Smaragd 2016**

James Suckling 96 Points
Falstaff 94-96 Points
Wine Enthusiast 94 Points
Wine Advocate 93-94 Points

Wine Enthusiast:

"This wine's unlikely combination of passion fruit, wild thyme, lemon zest and fennel seed aromas is totally convincing... same richness is even more apparent. Savory herb and salt notes seem counter a richer, oilier citrus aspect, making for high drama and lots of flavor."

HK\$390 Loose Bottle

HK\$310 Mix Case of 12

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**F.X. Pichler Gruner Veltliner
Loibner Klostersatz Federspiel 2016**

Wine Enthusiast 92 Points

James Suckling 92 Points

Falstaff 92 Points

Wine Enthusiast:

"Aromatic hints of russet and yellow pear appear first, followed by lemon freshness. The palate holds all of these, accentuating the freshness with a touch of fine spritz. White pepper shimmers around the edges and the slightest phenolic grip creates a fresh and slender body. This has a light touch but a lastingly clean finish."

HK\$250 Loose Bottle

HK\$198 Mix Case of 12

HK\$390 Loose Bottle

HK\$310 Mix Case of 12

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**F.X. Pichler Sauvignon Blanc Grosse Reserve
2015**

Wine Advocate 93-95 Points

James Suckling 95 Points

Wine Advocate:

"...Fermented and aged for 16 months in four used Burgundy pièces and one new 500-liter barrel... deep, intense and perfectly ripe (pineapple and passion fruit) bouquet with some noble oak and yeasty aromas that are perfectly interwoven. Full-bodied, rich and intense but pure and piquant... **A great and promising Sauvignon Blanc** from the Wachau."

HK\$510 Loose Bottle

HK\$410 Mix Case of 12

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All are in 750ml unless otherwise specified. Free delivery for order > HK\$3,000. Order subject to final confirmation and while stock last. Please feel free to contact us if you need any wine service and investment advice.



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