

# 2022 GEWURZTRAMINER AOC ALSACE GRANDE RÉSERVE



# **WINERY**

Established in 1680, today Pierre Sparr remains focused on producing quality wines, a pure expression of Alsace, which are aromatic, fruity, elegant, clean and vibrant. Pierre Sparr wines are food-friendly and accessible for everyday consumption.

# WINE

100% Gewurztraminer from Thann in the Haut-Rhin to Kintzheim in the Bas-Rhin (80.5 kilometers, or 50 miles, north to south); mostly flat vineyards. No irrigation; trellised vines; hand-harvesting.

#### **VINEYARDS**

Maison Pierre Sparr owns 15 hectares (37 acres) of vineyards in the heart of the Haut-Rhin and sources fruit from 150 hectares (370 acres) of vineyards owned by established growers who adhere to the Sparr winery's high standards of viticulture. Care of the vineyards is of paramount importance. Their philosophy is that "the quality of a fine wine already exists in the grape." In other words, the quality of a wine is determined by its vineyard origin.

## **VINTAGE NOTES**

Vintage 2022 is synonymous of a great maturity on all varietals. The aromas smell ripe fruits and spices. Thanks to the lack of rainfall there were no diseases in the vineyard this year. The grapes were healthy throughout the season. Two rainy thunderstorms saved the vintage with the first being in June and second in August. Unfortunately some areas experienced some hail as well with the rainfall. The scorching temperatures and sunshine amplified the early ripening with Harvest beginning on August 29th. Thanks to the cooler night temperatures during harvest, the grapes were able to preserve fruity and floral aromas. Wines are solar, warm and generous.

#### WINEMAKING

The juices are cold-settled and fermented in stainless steel vats at 18°C to 20°C. Fermentation lasts about one month. Then the wines are stabilized and kept in vats until bottling. During this time, the wine is regularly checked both analytically and by taste.

## TASTING NOTES

In the glass, this intense yellow-gold Gewurztraminer 2022 stands out. It has powerful aromas that transport us to Asia, with expressive notes of lychee and passion fruit. On the palate, the wine is strong. A distinctive finish adds a gastronomic quality, with a touch of sweetness enhancing its length.

## **VINEYARD**

Region: Alsace

Appellation: Appellation Alsace Controlée

Soil: Granitic-limestone-gneiss-chalk & clay

Age/Exposure: 30 years old

South-West

Vine Yields: 60 hl/ha

Eco-Practices: Sustainable

Certification: Vegan

# **WINEMAKING**

Varietals: 100% Gewurztraminer
Aging: Stainless-steel tanks

## TECHNICAL DETAILS

Alcohol: 13.5%
Total Acidity: 3.66 g/L
Residual Sugar: 16 g/L