

2016 Grüner Veltliner Umpqua Valley

VINTAGE

Similar to the last two vintages, the 2016 growing season was one of the earliest on record. An unusually warm spring gave way to moderate summer conditions, which provided even growing conditions through véraison. Though it was an intense growing season due to the early start, the fruit produced wonderful concentration and complexity with characteristic natural acidity. ~ *Oregon Wine Board*

VINEYARD

Grapes were 100% grown and hand harvested at **Reustle-Prayer Rock Vineyards**; a 200 acre property (40 vineyard acres) in a cool region of the Umpqua Valley. On the property are two south-facing hillsides, named **Prayer Rock and Romancing Rock Vineyards**, with steep hillside slopes (ranging from 15-40%). The nearby **Umpqua River** creates cool evening temperatures, and ripening period diurnal differences of 30-40 degrees, which helps maintain natural acidity.

WINEMAKING

Grapes were whole-cluster pressed and innoculated in stainless steel tanks. Fermentation temperatures were kept cool to maintain fruit aromas. Aged for 6 months "Hefeabzug" (Austrian term for 'sur lie') in stainless steel, stirred periodically and aged an additional 1 year in bottle before release.

1st Gruner Veltliner in the United States

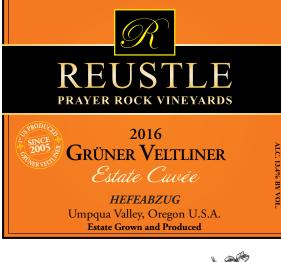
In 2005, Reustle-Prayer Rock Vineyards was the first American vineyard & winery to release this exciting grape variety in the U.S.. Grüner Veltiner, long enjoyed throughout Europe, has wonderful aromas of citrus and tropical fruit with a magical ability to complement all kinds of food.

PRESS HIGHLIGHTS:

2018 San Francisco Chronicle Wine Competition - "Best of Class" Wine Enthusiast Rating - 92 points "Editors Choice" 2018 Dan Berger Wine Competition - Gold 2018 Savor NW - Gold

white pepper unctuous green tea chamomile green apple spice fresh herb minerality anise





TECHNICAL DATA

23

100
NGB

Early September
6.8
3.3
13.4%
100% Stainless Steel
528

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VINEYARD DATA

Elevation: Aspect/Slope:

Brix @ Harvest:

460 - 660' South-facing, 5-40% slope 8-14 Years Oakland, Pengra,

Vine Age: Soil Types:

VARD WINNE

Oakland, Pengra, & Sutherlin Silt Loam

FOOD PAIRING

Everything! Veggies to seafood to white & red meat.



