

# HEINRICH



Ried Golser

## Gabarinza 2019



### CHARACTER

Bedded on bold fruit such as rosehip, lingonberry and – promising astringency – sloe berry, Gabarinza nevertheless stands like an unassailable rock amid the surf as breakers roll ashore. With patience, air and the help of a large glass, after a short while an aromatic path leads over forest floors covered with moss and autumn leaves to the exact point where the pepper grows. On the palate, the wine comes into its full expression. Gabarinza is substantial, powerful and fleshy; this, however, with a sense of presence rather than loud volume and thus at peace with itself, not least thanks to the inherent juiciness of the 2019 vintage. In terms of concentration and precision, its tannins reveal an intricate weave like the masterly composition of a fine Persian carpet. Except: that for all the richness and intricate adornment, this carpet can actually fly, breaking the law of gravity with complete impunity. In order to do full justice to this wine, one must keep impatient paws off the corkscrew for the time being!

Or, even better, stock up on it, and lay down a sufficient number of bottles.

### ORIGIN

This wine carries the name of the oldest and best of the vineyard slopes in Gols. The slope faces southwest and is marked by red terrace gravel deposited during the ice age as well as fine-grained sandy-loamy sediment. We match this soil diversity with the varieties Zweigelt, Blaufränkisch, and Merlot.

### PRODUCTION

Bottled according to biodynamic principles and the eternal cycle of nature, with conscientious manual labour and great attention to detail. Handpicked mid-September, spontaneous fermentation, macerated for three weeks in wooded fermentation vats, gentle basket press, over four years maturation in used 500-litre oak barrels.

### THE NUMBERS

50% Zweigelt, 25% Blaufränkisch, 25% Merlot • 14% vol. • 5.6 g/l acidity • 1.0 g/l residual sugar

Bottle size (l): 0.375, 0.75, 1.5, 3.0, 6.0, 9.0 • bottled unfiltered end of April 2024