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2021 Neumeister Ried Moarfeitl Sauvignon Blanc

From a south/southwest-facing plateau and deeper calcareous loam and also gravelly soils, the 2021 Ried Moarfeitl Sauvignon Blanc is very intense and complex on the deep and concentrated, aromatic, reductive but expressive nose that reveals stony as well as herbal notes. Very fine and elegant on the palate, this is a full-bodied, expressive and very complex, dense and enormously substantial, sustainable Moarfeitl with a long and tensioned finish. The 2021 combines purity and mineral freshness with salinity, phenolic grip and athletic power. The finish is long, complex and highly promising. This is a collectable classic of great individuality. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted in May 2023.

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2021 Neumeister Ried Klausen Weissburgunder

The 2021 Ried Klausen Weissburgunder is deep and intense on the elegant nose. Vinified in a 1,000-liter and three 500-liter barrels for one year and on the fine lees in stainless steel before the bottling in late April this year, this is an elegant, lush and well balanced, densely woven and textured, slightly creamy and oaky but remarkably refined and sustainable Pinot Blanc with fine tannins and delicate salinity on the long and intense, still youthful and crunchy finish. This is a promising Pinot Blanc from poor sandstone and shell limestone soils. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted in May 2023.

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2021 Neumeister Ried Klausen Sauvignon Blanc

From vines averaging 25 years of age on sand-lime brick and vinified in large oak casks for the first year and in stainless steel until the bottling in April of this year, the 2021 Ried Klausen Sauvignon Blanc is coolish and discreet on the still slightly reductive but dense, intense and herbal nose that reveals ripe and elegant white fruit and apricot aromas intertwined with dried thyme and fresh grapefruit aromas. Full-bodied, intense and fresh on the palate, this is a dense, close-meshed and complex, sustainably structured and persistent Sauvignon with fine tannins and crystalline, saline acidity. It's an impressive, ageless classic. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted in May 2023.

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2022 Neumeister Straden Weissburgunder

From vines with an average age of 20 and aged in stainless steel and large oak casks, the 2022 Straden Weissburgunder opens with an intense, elegant and spicy bouquet of ripe fruits (apricots) intermingled with slightly reductive or even iodine nuances. On the palate, this is a mouth-filling, dense, intense and seriously structured Pinot Blanc with refreshing and juicy fruit, good mineral grip and a long, saline and wonderfully vital finish. This is a superb Straden white wine that is not at first a Pinot Blanc but a convincing terroir wine with excellent aging capacity. Bottled in late April with 12.5% stated alcohol and a screw-cap closure. Tasted in May 2023.

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2021 Neumeister Straden Sauvignon Blanc

The 2021 Straden Sauvignon Blanc is clear and intense on the nose that reveals a ripe, yellow stone fruit aroma intertwined with stony and herbal notes such as anise, cumin and pumpkin seeds. Dense and lush yet fresh on the palate, this is a pure, saline and very elegant as well as persistent Sauvignon with stimulating phenolic grip and delicate bitters on the finish. 12.5% stated alcohol. Screw cap closure. Tasted in May 2023.

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2022 Neumeister Gemischter Satz Sarmat

From calcareous gravels and partly volcanic soils, the 2022 Gemischter Satz Sarmat is from a field blend planted in the late 1960s that is picked and fermented together. Macerated overnight and vinified in stainless steel and large oak casks, the wine opens with an intense and spicy nose with phenolic notes and ripe fruit aromas. Light and very elegant on the palate, this is a textural, persistently saline and sustainable wine with white fruit aromas on the long, elegant and juicy as well as saline finish. 12% stated alcohol. Screw cap closure. Tasted in May 2023.

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2010 Neumeister Trockenbeerenauslese Saziani Essenz

The 2010 Trockenbeerenauslese Saziani Essenz (6% alcohol) opens with a highly concentrated, ripe, clear and peppery nose with fine botrytis, raisin and vanilla aromas. Smooth, round, sweet and almost creamy on the terribly rich and highly elegant palate, this Essencia has a super fine, lingering acidity and a long, salty finish. This is another legend and it will still be one in 2100. One of the finest sweet wines I have tasted from Austria. It is of high precision and intensity.

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2010 Neumeister Trockenbeerenauslese Saziani

The golden-apricot colored 2010 Trockenbeerenauslese Saziani displays an enormously concentrated nose with highly fine and spicy raisin and apricot aromas. Rich and incredibly dense, sweet and concentrated, this is a picture book TBA due to its great finesse, elegance and harmony. The finish is enormously long, well structured and piquant, with concentrated lemon and fig flavors. This is a stunningly precise TBA that can age for five and more decades.

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2015 Neumeister Straden Alte Reben Sauvignon Blanc

Not produced in 2014 (due to hail on the 1st of September), the 2015 Straden Alte Reben Sauvignon Blanc is very deep, perfectly ripe and concentrated on the nose where ripe mirabelles and white peaches are displayed. Aged in a 1,000-liter oak vat, this is a highly elegant, finessed, salty and pure terroir wine that reveals great length and complexity. This is a Styrian giant dancing Swan Lake, and it's surely the best wine I have ever tasted from Christoph Neumeister. The 2015 has power, finesse, enormous density, grip and tension, and the structure and persistency is just mind-blowing here. From vines planted in 1937, 1951 and 1967. Tasted July 2018.

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