



# Minkowitsch - Chardonnay Granitsteinfass | Niederösterreich Austria (WEINVIERTEL) — 2020

#### Domain

# Weingut Lehner - Minkowitsch

The Minkowitsch winery is a traditional family business that has existed since 1875. The sixth generation is now at the helm. A new chapter in their wine history has opened since 2022. The fusion of two wine families: Lehner and Minkowitsch. Lukas Lehner and Agnes Lehner-Minkowitsch brought their families together not only privately, but also professionally. Two independent winegrowers are now working together towards a common future. They mainly produce fresh, fruity white and smooth red wines on approximately 7 hectares of vineyards. The vineyards are located in the southern Weinviertel, in Velm-Götzendorf and Mannersdorf an der March, northeast of Vienna, on the border with Slovakia. The philosophy of winemaking is the simplest imaginable: own vineyards, own grapes and own wine. The result is varietal wines with balance and harmony.

# Vinification

The Chardonnay grapes come from vines over 40 years old. The juice of the grapes is fermented in granite vats. The wine is aged for another 20 months in these special granite stone barrels. This is a new, pure vinification method that has been in existence since 2017. Due to the rough surface of the granite, you have a larger contact surface for contact with the must. Granite also provides a different and more ideal oxygen supply. During the fermentation process, the heat generated is stored and gradually released again, so no cooling technology is required.

## Taste

Sparkling yellow-green in the glass, with an inviting bouquet of pleasant exotic fruit, subtle spiciness, orange peel and fine mineral notes. The mouthfeel is creamy, full-bodied and balanced, with a rich fruity flavour, enhanced with mineral notes and well-integrated acids, resulting in a long fruity finish with refreshing minerality.

## **Food pairing**

Fish - turbot | Cheese - half soft | Lobster | Pasta | Fish - brill

# **General information**

Type: White wine Grape varieties: Chardonnay Viticulture: Traditional Storage (years): + 5-7 Serving temperature: 10-12 °C Taste profile: Round smooth

