

Johanniter

Origin: It is a wine grape variety created in Germany in 1968 at the Grape Breeding Institute of Freiburg by crossing the variety Riesling with (12-481 Villard Seyve x (x Chasselas Pinot Gris)). It was initially named Fr 177-68. There is a clonal selection P340.

Bud burst period: mid, like Riesling.

Ripening time: 2-7 days after Chardonnay.

Viticultural and productive characteristics:

Average-high vigour and upward growing shoots. Its bunches are medium-sized/large, have a slightly compact cylindrical shape and are longer than those of Riesling. Its medium-sized round berries have a yellow-green colour when completely ripe. They show small black dots like Riesling grapes. Average-abundant crop yields (100-160 qts).

Winter hardiness: very good.

Disease resistance: compact bunches are susceptible to damage from botrytis.

Resistance to Downy mildew Leaves	Resistance to Downy mildew Cluster	Resistance to Powdery Mildew Leaves	Resistance to Powdery Mildew Cluster	Botrytis	Spraying treatments suggested
High	High	High	Very high	Average -low	0 - 2

Wine characteristics:

This grape variety offers a fruity wine characterised by a mildly strong fragrance and appropriate refreshing acidity. On the palate its taste is reminiscent of Pinot Gris and Riesling, with quince, pear and mandarin hints. Its aftertaste can be pleasantly spicy. It is ideal as a basis for sparkling wines.

Use and recommendations:

The growing environment is the same as that of Pinot Gris, Chardonnay and Riesling.

