

Aldinger 2019 Fellbacher Trollinger Alte Reben

WineWise Code	GAL-TAR19
Country	Germany
Region	Württemberg
Color/Style	Red
Farming Practices	Sustainable
Varieties	Trollinger
ABV	12.5
Residual Sugar	1.7
Acidity	4.9
Closure	Natural Cork
Case Size	12x750
Pricing	Discountable
Maceration	mashfermented
Pumpover/Punchdown	pumpover every day.
Destemming	Partial
Fermentation Vessel	Stainless Steel
Fermentation Duration	18 days
Aging Method	Used Barrique 100%
Aging Duration (months)	12 months
Filtered	Yes
Fining Agents	None
Yeast	Spontaneous
Lees Contact/Stirring	full yeast
Malolactic	Yes
Added Sulfur	Yes
Vineyard Name	Fellbacher Lämmle
Soil Type	Sedimentary
Elevation (meters)	up to 490
Vineyard Aspect	Southwest
Vine Age	25-50
Yields (hl/ha)	50-60
Vine Training	guyot
Picking	Hand-harvested
Annual Production	3000 bottles

Notes from the producer:

Light and pinot-esque in style. Comparable to the Beaujolais-crus of Marcel Lapiere. Clear and elegant with a refreshing character.

His arrival would set the foundation for what is today the region's oldest winegrowing estate. Almost 500 years later, in 1955, Gerhard Aldinger married Anneliese Aldinger (née Pflüger) and decided to convert his father-in-law's existing cooperage into a full-scale winery. The 1973 acquisition of Untertürkheimer Gips marked another critical milestone in the estate's history. Following the vineyard's purchase, the word GIPS quickly established itself with a new meaning in the region: distinctive, mineral-rich wines unlike any produced here before. 1992 – Building on 500 years of wine growing tradition, Gert Joachim Aldinger takes the helm. Dubbed the 'King of the Kappelberg,' Gert Joachim Aldinger's decision to plant international grape varieties and radically reduce yield broke new ground in the region. 15 years later, the estate is among Württemberg's finest. And like the prized vines on the Fellbach slopes, Gert Aldinger's sons Hansjörg and Matthias are aging nicely into the second generation. This seamless transition is a tremendous point of pride for both the family and the estate.



WineWise Notes:

From a 35 year-old plot in the Lämmle (a Grosse Lage), and given 12 months in used barriques, this is a mid-weight but strikingly salty and insistent wine that demonstrates the impact that Trollinger can make when deliberately constrained by low yields and the vinification is as serious as that accorded to Pinot Noir.

