

## Beerenauslese Cuvee, Weingut Kracher



Product code	AK02ZZDB
Grapes	Welschriesling
Country	AUSTRIA
ABV%	10.5
Case Size	6
Closure Style	Cork
Producer	Weingut Kracher
Vintage	2020

 ${\cal V}$  Vegan 🕅 Vegetarian

## Tasting Notes

White peaches and honeydew in the nose. Stone fruit, citrus, mandarin, ripe yellow peach, elegant acid structure of the palate. Very long and fresh passing.

## Viticulture

The Seewinkel is an area in the Burgenland region of Austria, approximately 20 km wide, along the eastern shore of Lake Neusiedl. The villages of Illmitz, Apetlon and Podersdorf are situated within this reedy wetland, which is actually a natural preserve. It is an immense plain, with countless shallow lakes of various sizes scattered throughout it. Most of these lakes, including the largest, Lake Neusiedl, are less than five feet deep and this unusual terrain is often covered with dense fog, adding to the special charm of the region. The continental climate brings hot dry summers and very cold winters. These extremes are somewhat mitigated by the presence of the lake, creating a unique microclimate for viticulture. During cool autumn evenings, evaporation from the numerous lakes creates heavy fog, which covers the area until mid-day when the still strong sunlight burns through. This daily change of weather is the prerequisite for the special Botrytis cinerea, a nearly annual gift of nature, which makes the production of Beerenauslese and Trockenbeerenauslese wines possible. Alois Kracher's vineyards stretch between Illmitz and the shore of Lake Neusiedl. The vineyards are planted at high densities in order to stress the vines, thus producing lower quantities at elevated concentrations. Traditional grape varieties include Welschriesling, Chardonnay, Traminer, Weißburgunder and Sämling 88 (Scheurebe).

## Winemaking

85% fermented and aged in stainless steel tans and 15% in big cask, 12 months aging time