



Vintage 2018
Elena Walch, Tramin (South Tyrol)
Winemaker Elena Walch
Region South Tyrol
Alcohol 14% vol.
Grapes 100% Pinot Nero

Aton Pinot Noir Riserva DOC

Winemaking

The hand harvest took place on September 9th, 2017, followed by a gravity-fed and highly gentle grape processing in a new, state-of-the-art fermentation cellar. The grapes were gently transferred in whole berry form in a small "cuvon" to the small fermentation tanks, maintaining the delicate structure and quality of the harvest in its natural form. This was followed by a 5-day cold maceration and fermentation at a controlled temperature of 23°C for a further 15 days in small steel tanks. After a further 12 months of ageing in French oak barriques with medium toasting, the wine rested and matured in steel for an additional 11 months. This slow and gentle processing was carried out respecting the original quality of the grapes, and following the same principle, the wine was finally bottled on August 22, 2019, without filtration to preserve its exceptional structure and maintain its natural colloidal composition. During the subsequent 15 months of bottle aging, the 2017 «Aton» Pinot Noir Riserva quietly continues to develop the broad spectrum of its potential until it is released on the market on October 4, 2021.

Our tasting note

The Pinot Noir «Aton» expresses timeless finesse and elegance. The wine presents itself a strong ruby red in the glass. Subtle notes of black berries, a hint of licorice and finely smoked notes define the bouquet, combining power and supreme elegance in this exceptional wine. With density, black berries, and minerality, combined with fine and fresh tannins, the «Aton» convinces on the palate with a spicy, long finish. An elegant Pinot Noir full of character, produced with the utmost dedication and detailed effort to do justice to this noblest of varieties with uncompromising quality.

Elena Walch

Elena Walch is a leading vineyard in South Tyrol under family proprietorship. Encouraging quality and innovation, Elena Walch stood at the head of the quality revolution in South Tyrol and has gained local and international esteem for her efforts. The great assets of Elena Walch are the two vineyards Vigna Castel Ringberg above Kalterer See, and Vigna Kastelaz above Tramin. All wines bear the clear signature of their producer and delight with their purity of taste, elegance and finesse. Elena Walch, formerly a successful architect, also understands her current profession brilliantly. Responsibility for the family company has now been placed in the hands of daughters Julia and Karoline Walch, as the fifth generation of the family.

