

The Beauty of Biodynamics

Since 2006, the winery has been cultivating the vineyards biodynamically. With this particular philosophy, the winery aims to enrich the health of the soil while preserving it and preventing its breakdown. Strengthening the immune system of the vines through abandoning commercial plant protection products means producing wines with an optimal balance of content.

Only natural herbs and leguminous plants grow in the vineyards, such as clover, which collect nitrogen from the air and fertilizes the vines in a natural way. At the same time, diverse microfauna grows, influencing optimal mineralisation.

The purpose of this green mulching is erosion control; to build humus, to promote fauna as a habitat for useful insects, for water storage, and the improvement of the soil structure. Also intended is to heighten fruit quality through the competing for water by the different herbs, and the prevention of fungus in the soil.

To burden the soil as little as possible and to build up humus, they use heavy tractors with light equipment.

Useful insects hinder parasites. Instead of conventional fertilizers, systematic measures and herbicides, the winery strengthen the resistance of the vines through building up humus with self-made compost as well as with the use of biodynamic and homoeopathic preparations (500 and 501) and teas (stinging nettle, camomille and field grass, with added soft rainwater). They also consider the ecological and chronobiological rhythms and cycles, for example, for supporting the fluid-circulation in the vines with the energies of the moon, whose phases influence life and nature. Growth is stimulated before the full moon, and quality consolidates before the new moon.