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Weninger, Blaufraenkisch Hochaecker 2005 (93 points)

Dark and gripping, with rich, creamy depth and pungent aroma, this Wraps its powerful intensity in a sophisticated and elegant package. The sappy flavours of blackberry and crushed cherry are bakced by hints of game and spice, and the tannins are firm yet ripe and harmonious.

Weninger Blaufraenkisch 2006 (91 points)

Hints of mint and fennel underline the bold, juicy flavours of cherry and red berry. There's a concentrated, almost chocolaty depth on the palate, yet it's never heavy, with a structure that feels elegant and stylishly composed.

Wine Spectator (June 15, 2006)

Weninger, Blaufränkisch Reserve 2002 91 points

Very elegant, almost restrained, but in a seductive sense. This has loads of ripe berry, mocha and meat flavors that are seasoned with sandalwood and Asian spice. Creamy finish goes on and on. Drink now through 2010.

Wine Spectator (May 31, 2007)

Veratina 2003 – 91 points

A refined, style, with plenty of cherry and currant flavors, balanced by mineral, spice and mocha elements. The elegant finish features smoky and meaty notes. Blaufraenkisch, Zweigelt, Merlot and Cabernet Sauvignon. Drink now through 2010. (KM)

Blaufraenkisch Duerrau 2003 – 90 points

Perfumred aromas of dark fruit and spice, with lithe flavors of boysenberry and bitter chocolate and plenty of creamy notes. Shows mocha and hints of cappuccino on the finish. Drink now through 2010. (KM)

Blaufraenkisch Reserve 2003 – 89 points

Vibrant, fruity aromas and flavors of plum, cherry and spice are luscious, with fine-grained tannins. Notes of orange clossom and spice linger with chocolate on the finish. Very Pinot-like. Drink now through 2012. (KM)

Wine & Spirits "Austria 2005" by Peter Liem (April 2007)

Blaufraenkisch Duerrau 2003 – 94 points

This single-vineyard blaufraenkisch is one of Burgenland's most sought-after reds, and this 2003 demonstrates why. Its deeply spicy, smoky aromas of black cherry, dried plum and cured meat take time to unfold but reveal a subtly complex depth and a long, fragrant finish. It continues to develop in flavor for several days after being opened, and promises to improve even more with a few years in the cellar.

Veratina 2002 – 90 points

Named for Weninger's daughters Vera and Tina, this cuvee is composed of blaufraenkisch, zweigelt and merlot. The 2002 is creamy and plush, with velvety black cherry, cedar and anise notes. It's intensely fragrant, reined in by suave tannins, and while clearly built for aging, it's harmonious enough to appreciate now.

Blaufraenkisch 2005 – 88 points

Smoky and dark, this has a bacon-like meatiness under ripe blackberry and black raspberry fruit. It's earthy and robust, a good companion for pork ribs.

International Wine Cellar, Steve Tanzer (Nov/Dec 2005) by Peter Moser

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