

# SCHAUER

## Styria, Austria

### HISTORY

Since the beginning, there has always been a Schauer family winemaker overseeing viticulture and winemaking in Kitzreck-Sausal. Both the great-grandfather and grandfather of the present generation were farmers and made wine. In 1980, Karl Schauer completed the conversion of all farming to grapevines. In 2010, he passed primary responsibility for the estate to sons Stefan and Bernhard. Stefan is the winemaker and runs the winery with Bernhard, who handles marketing and all administration. Stefan went to school for viticulture, then worked for wineries in Italy and the Wachau before returning home. Bernhard studied hospitality, then spent a year in Britain, another on a cruise ship, and then in the Austrian national tourism office. They have grown the winery quickly in the past 10 years: from 10 hectares in 2010 to 28 hectares in 2019.

### VINEYARDS

The estate is located on some of the highest and steepest winegrowing slopes in all of Central Europe, where winegrowing was documented as early as 1757. Once a farm of mixed agriculture, the crop is now grapevines. Grown on the top of hillsides, the vines thrive in the slate and schist-rich soil.

### WINEMAKING

The distinguishing factor for Schauer is their determination to create very individual wines. Their approach is to create elegant, acidity-driven wines, straightforwardly and without compromise. They want you to taste the passion they put into the wines.

#### Appellation

Südsteiermark

#### Year Founded

1757

#### Proprietors

Bernhard & Stefan Schauer

#### Winemaker

Stefan Schauer

#### Annual Production

8,333 9L cases

#### Varieties Cultivated

Sauvignon Blanc  
Riesling  
Weissburgunder  
Pinot Blanc

#### Farming Practices

Sustainable

