## STAFFES

## MERLOT RISERVA 2021

First vintage 2001

Terroir:

Site Tenuta Kornell – Siebeneich

Altitude 250-320 m a.s.l.

Soil Porphyry weathered soil Hillside South facing slope

Slope 10 %
Pruning system Guyot
Vines/hectare 6500
Yield/hectare 45 hl/ha

Harvest beginning October

## Year 2021:

In April and May there was stable spring weather with lots of sunshine and mild temperatures. July was pretty even at first, but the hottest days of summer came towards the end. In September, the summer seemed to be extending, there were still many days with almost 30 degrees. Only in the last few days did a striking cold front ensuring a lasting cooling. October was out of line in terms of temperature; while most of the other months were too warm, the temperatures in October were below average.

Vinification:

Vinification: Fermentation in wooden casks

for 25 days

Maturation: Malolactic fermentation and ripening for 12

months in barrique, 12 months bottle aging

Bottled: 12.000 bottles in march 2023

**Analytic Data:** 

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Alcohol 13,5 % vol.
Residual sugar 1,2 g/l
Acidity 5,4 g/l

## Tasting notes and food companions:

Colour: dark ruby red

Nose: fruity aromas of plum and wild berries with notes of chocolate,

mocha, dried mint, graphite and a hint of smoke

Palate: full-flavored, velvety, soft tannins, harmoniously juicy with a stimulating finish

Pairing suggestions: roast veal, grilled red meats, wild boar ragout,

truffle dishes

Aging potential: 15 years Serving temperature: 16-18°C

