



TIEFENBRUNNER



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: Christof Tiefenbrunner
 Winemaker: Christof Tiefenbrunner and
 Stefan Rohregger
 Total acreage under vine: 60
 Estate founded: 1848
 Winery production: 800,000 Bottles
 Region: Trentino Alto-Adige
 Country: Italy

Merus Chardonnay Alto Adige DOC 2013

WINE DESCRIPTION

The wines from this historic, family-owned estate are some of the best expressions of the Alto Adige region. This Alto Adige classic is made from 100% estate-grown Chardonnay, which is vinified in stainless steel tanks to preserve all of its fresh and fruit-forward aromas.

TASTING NOTES

Pale lemon in color, this wine has aromas of citrus fruits and fresh pears, which give way to subtle herbal and almond notes. On the palate, this youthful wine is pure and clean with crisp acidity and a lingering finish.

FOOD PAIRING

Fresh citrus flavors and bright acidity make this wine a refreshing counterpoint to creamy risotto or rich, buttery sablefish.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/appellation:	Alto Adige DOC
Vineyard size:	11 acres
Soil composition:	Calcareous, Silty Sandy-Loam and Gravel
Training method:	Pergola and Single-Guyot
Elevation:	693-1,980 feet
Vines/acre:	1,400-2,800
Yield/acre:	4.4 tons
Exposure:	Southeastern
Year vineyard planted:	1979-2005
Harvest time:	September
First vintage of this wine:	1970
Bottles produced of this wine:	50,000

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition:	100% Chardonnay
Fermentation container:	Stainless steel tanks
Length of alcoholic fermentation:	7-15 days
Fermentation temperature:	66-70 °F
Type of aging container:	Stainless steel tanks and Cement vats
Length of aging before bottling:	4 months
Length of bottle aging:	1 month

ANALYTICAL DATA

Alcohol:	13.5 %
pH level:	3.6
Residual sugar:	3.8 g/L
Acidity:	6.2 g/L
Dry extract:	21.6 g/L

