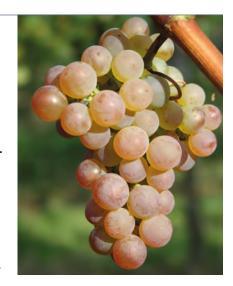




VB Cal 6-04

Genetics: Cal 6-04 derives from the crossing of Sauvignon x Riesling and resistance cultivars. Cal 6-04 represents the latest "Cal."-crossing-set of Valentin Blattner. Due to multiple crossings a complex resistance could be achieved. Volker Freytag is responsible for the promotion of the cultivar. His intention is to gain profound information regarding wine growing abilities and vinification styles.



Disease resistance:

downy mildew +++ powdery mildew +++ botrytis +++

Berry set: The grape is comparable in size to Riesling. Its loose berry set and robust berry skin result in low susceptibility to Botrytis. The berry's skin turns to a light rosé after veraison.

Wine style: Fruit-driven with hints of Sauvignon blanc aromas, esp. when cold-fermented. Under less reductive vinification regime the wines remind more of Riesling or Semillon due to its lively acidity, which is well embedded in the wine and ensures longevity.

Cultivation: As one genetic source is Riesling, its medium to strong vigour can be found in this cultivar again. The Riesling parentage also allows the canes to lignify well, which enables Cal 6-04 to benefit from a favourable winter nutrient storage. The waxy layer which reinforces the berry skin allows a prolonged and thus high level of maturity, with a low risk of botrytis infection. Sugar content between 23 - 25° Brix can be expected.

Propagation and Distribution:

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