

MÉZES MÁLY – GREAT 1st GROWTH TOKAJI FURMINT DRY 2018

Mézes Mály is one of just two vineyards classified as a Great First Growth. Its volcanic bedrock is overlaid with deep loess soil, giving elegance, finesse and floral notes to its wines. Royal Tokaji owns 11 of its 19 hectares, facing south with views to the Great Plain in the distance.

Summer was hot with temperatures often above 35°C, again accelerating maturation and the grapes ripened and were ready for picking earlier than ever before in the written history of Tokaji. We started the grape harvest for the dry wines in August, an extraordinary three weeks earlier than the previous record, and we picked the last Furmint grapes for dry styles at the beginning of September, a date usually considered early for the start of the harvest for dry wines, let alone the finish.

After harvesting the Furmint grapes, whole bunches were pressed and fermented in 300 litre Zemplén oak barrels. After fermentation the wine was matured for six months in oak.

Mézes Mály Furmint is a sleek, concentrated wine with elegancy and a subtle floral character, hints of spice, and plenty of white peach and apricot fruit all balanced by refreshing, crisp acidity and a lingering finish.

Serve at a cool temperature with Asian food, white meats, fish and pasta dishes.

Alcohol: 13%

Sugar: 1,5 g/l

Acidity: 7,1 g/l

Bottling date: 2019 July

