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93 | Prager \$76

2007 Wachau Smaragd Achleiten Grüner Veltliner While intense in flavor, the focus here is on finesse and expression rather than overt ripeness. It balances fragrant, slightly honeyed stone-fruit flavors against a sweet-herbal, grassy savor, feeling focused, harmonious and long on the finish. It's clearly a wine for the cellar, and its outstanding balance should ensure a long and slow development. *Vin Divino, Chicago, IL*

93 | Prager \$72

2007 Wachau Smaragd Zwerithaler Grüner Veltliner This wine balances ripe stone and citrus fruit flavors against savory notes that seem to result from both grape variety and soil, feeling pungent and smoky under the plush fruit. It's complex and finely detailed despite its richness, finishing with length, depth and poise. *Vin Divino, Chicago, IL*

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2007 Wachau Smaragd Klaus Riesling From one of the Wachau's legendary vineyard sites, this wine's taut structure makes it feel poised, like a snake coiled to strike. Its apple and citrus fruits show a rich ripeness, but it's the silky purity and subtle, stony soil notes that really drive it. *Vin Divino, Chicago, IL*

92 | Prager \$37

2007 Wachau Federspiel Steinriegl Riesling While this shows ripe, fragrant notes of tangerine, mango and white peach, they seem almost incidental alongside the intense aromas of stony soil. The fruit does emerge further after the bottle is open for a day, but it's the poignant, pungent expression of terroir that drives this wine. *Vin Divino, Chicago, IL*

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2007 Wachau Smaragd Wachstum Bodenstein Riesling This is superbly energetic, showing a subtle, layered nuance to the fruit and feeling racy and taut throughout the long finish. Its brisk flavors of nectarine, apricot and fresh apple are firmly encased in minerality, as is characteristic of this high and stony site. *Vin Divino, Chicago, IL*