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## Leo Hillinger Pinot Noir “Secco”

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**Winery:** Leo Hillinger

**Category:** Wine – Sparkling - Rose

**Grape Variety:** at least 85% Pinot Noir

**Region:** Burgenland/Austria

**Vineyard:** Altenberg, Lehmgrube, Gmärk, Goldberg

**Feature:** Certified Organic since 2013

**Winery established:** 1990



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### Product Information

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**Soil:** Slate

**Age of vines:** average of 16 years

**Elevation:** 510 feet above sea level

**Vinification & Yield:** Methode saignée, Still wine fermented with cultural yeasts in stainless steel tank, CO<sub>2</sub> subsequently injected, filtered, bottled under pressure. Yield: 7000 kg/ hectare.

**Tasting Notes:** The fragrance is reminiscent of strawberries, and the palate is refreshing with a very elegant bead. Fruity and delicate, the wine's acidity is well integrated and the finish harmonious.

**Pink Ribbon:** For 7 years, the Hillinger winery in Austria has supported breast cancer by donating €10,000 euro each year with their pink ribbon label Secco.

**Production:** 30,000

**Alc:** 12 %vol.

**Residual Sugar:** 18g

**Acidity:** 6.7g

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### Producer Information

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With a cultivated area of 222 acres in Austria, the Hillinger winery is one of the major wine producers in the top-quality segment in Austria. Since Leo Hillinger took over his father's small wine business in 1990, he has been developing operations through intelligent structural reforms and acquisitions of good locations around Jois and Rust to produce and make a model Austrian company.

"More than wine" means that Leo Hillinger doesn't just fill his bottles with top wines, but also his outlook on life, or as he likes to describe it, "his heart and soul". And it's filled with joy, passion, energy, pain and not least of all, strict consistency! But "more than wine" means so much more for Leo Hillinger and his team, which reinforces the company's motto even more. It stands for innovation, development, creativity, belief, intention & lust life in the most diverse areas. Starting with sport, ranging through to events, cuisine and much more!

**Production:** The top quality of the wines is guaranteed by the synthesis of organic vineyard work with state-of-the-art cellar technology. Hillinger has relied on organic wine cultivation since 2010.

The high density of the wines is created by consistent work in the vineyard. An average of 4,000 – 5,000 kilograms of grapes are harvested per hectare, which equals approximately 1.5 to 2 kilograms of grapes per vine. Vineyard areas in different locations and with different soils - from black soil to brown soil to clay and slate - allow multi-layered wines to be created.

**Burgenland:** The Burgenland is unofficially known as the red wine quarter of the country. At the same time, very nice and unique whites are also produced in Burgenland. This can be attributed to the plentiful sunshine the region experiences, which averages almost 2,000 hours per year.