

## Royal Tokaji Wine Company 1995

SZT. TAMÁS



1st Growth, 6 Puttonyos

Winemaker: Károly Áts

Varietal Composition: 60% Furmint, 20% Muscat,

20% Hárslevelú

**Age of Vines:** 30+ years **Barrel Aging:** 4 years

**Bottled:** Early March 1999

Case Pack: 6/500ml
Total Production: 430 cases
Alcohol: 10.0%
Total Acidity: 12.25g/L
Residual Sugar: 186 g/L

## THE 1995 VINTAGE

Spring came ten days earlier than usual in 1995. The vines responded by also budding earlier than normal – late April to early May. Blooming took place quickly afterwards because of the sunny, dry weather starting in June. The berries had attained full growth by the end of August, and by the end of September were ready to harvest.



## **VINEYARD**

The Szt. Tamás (saint tä-määsh) Vineyard is located next to Royal Tokaji's Nyulászó Vineyard on a southwest-facing slope overlooking the winery's cellars. Szt. Tamás' red volcanic clay soil is high in iron oxide and has the ability to retain moisture well, a characteristic helpful in drought years. Wines produced from grapes grown in the Szt. Tamás Vineyard have a lovely, pure fruitiness, nice acidity and good ageability.

## **TASTING NOTES**

The 1995 Royal Tokaji Szt. Tamás is a light golden colored wine, with just a whiff of orange peel and a wonderfully "fat" middle palate. It is an enormous wine and potentially one of the best from the 1995 vintage.

