
Tegernseerhof Riesling Dürnstein Federspiel

Winery: Tegernseerhof

Category: Wine – Still - White

Grape Variety: Riesling

Region: Dürnstein/Wachau/Austria

Vineyard: first harvest of ripe Riesling grapes from smaller vineyard plots in Loibenberg, Steinertal & Kellerberg

Feature: Sustainable

Winery established: Built in 1176, since early 1800's in Mittelbach family ownership

Awards: 2017 90 pts W&S; 2016 92 pts WE



Product Information

Soil: From different vineyards in Loiben, the stone terraces of the Wachau describe the highest cultural asset and have essential influence of the typicality of the wines. Microclimates and different soil types characterize the uniqueness of each location.

Altitude: 656 – 1,312 feet above sea level

Age of vines: 60 years

Vinification: Starting the harvest of our Riesling grapes, we first pick the ripest ones for this Federspiel wine from different vineyards in Loiben. Cool fermentation, followed by 4 months aging, all in stainless steel.

Tasting Note: In a corset of balanced acidity, the wine has time to develop and to sprout the fine aromas, like spring flowers. Sunny disposition and mineral tension keep this Riesling under control! Multifaced aromas of white peaches, citrus zest and floral components in the nose – elegant structure with a taut acid frame.

Alc: 12.5 % vol.

RS: 1.4 g/l

Acidity: 6.0 g/l

Producer Information

Mittelbach family's Tegernseerhof, located in Unterloiben, just below Dürnstein, boasts a tradition dating back to the year 1002. The original facilities were built in 1176 by the Benedictine community of the Tegernsee Abbey. For centuries, the abbey was where the Bavarian monastery produced its wine. At the turn of the 19th century, it was acquired by the Austrian Empire and later, it went into private ownership.

Franz Mittelbach and his wife, Mathilde, are the fifth generation of Tegernseerhof owners. Since the 1970s, they have been continuously running the Tegernseerhof as a family business. Today, Martin Mittelbach, the son of Franz and Mathilde, is the current part of this history.

The Tegernseerhof vineyards, a total of 57 acres, flourish on stone terraces whose verdant soil plays host to a rich variety of indigenous fauna. Among the best-known, excellent locations and wines are Bergdistel, Höhereck and Loibenberg (for Grüner Veltliner) as well as Loibenberg, Steinertal and Kellerberg (for Riesling).

The estate is a member of the exclusive association "Vinea Wachau", therefore the vinification follows the strict regulations of the "Codex Wachau". Total production: 150,000 bottles.

Wine Region Wachau: A World Heritage site and a landscape that exudes a sense of well-being: This is the Wachau, Austria's most prestigious wine-growing area that certainly boasts an exciting history. Here, the 3,460 acres of vineyards - some of which are on steep terraces - feature mainly Grüner Veltliner and Riesling. The wine categories of Steinfeder, Federspiel and Smaragd are used respectively for light, medium and full-bodied wines with natural alcohol.