

**Vineyards:** 23 hectares (57 acres)

**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 1,400 hectares 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.

**Dürnstein:** Situated in the heart of the magnificent Wachau Valley, the charming town of Dürnstein offers the unique combination of breathtaking scenery, traditional architecture, and places of historic interest. The precious village Loiben is world-famous for its wines and wineries.

**Soil and Climate:** In the post-glacial period, silt sediments were deposited on the mountains, something that, in turn, resulted in the loess soils as well as steep slopes of "Gföhler" gneiss found today. These geological conditions, along with the man-made stone terraces that help facilitate cultivation - despite the steepness of the terrain - are typical of the Wachau landscape. Climatically, two strong, complementary influences converge here: the Western Atlantic and the Eastern Pannonian conditions.

**Production:** Profound and solid handcraft is the essential background, which results in our wines with distinctive personality. "The highest level of excellence must be the minimum we should expect from these wines." *Martin Mittelbach*



The 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 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, Hoehereck and Loibenberg (for Grüner Veltliner) as well as Loibenberg, Steinertal and Kellerberg (for Riesling).

Member of the exclusive association "Vinea Wachau", therefore the vinification follows the strict regulations of the "Codex Wachau".



### Mittelbach T- Rose Zweigelt 2020

A beautiful hue of watermelon sets just the right tone for this bright, disarmingly fun rosé. Crisp, dry and ultra-refreshing, this light to medium bodied wine exudes an intoxicating perfume of ripe cherry and crushed strawberry. The wine holds its balance throughout the finish, never once striking a confectionery note. A joy to drink and absolutely appropriate anytime *Alc. 12 % – acidity 6 g/l – residual sugar 2.7 g/l*



### Tegernseerhof T 26 Grüner Veltliner Dürnstein 2019 Federspiel®

The vineyard is called Frauenweingarten. When we tasted this wine the first time in 2006 it was in tank #26. Very aromatic, full of round fruit balanced with crisp acidity. The distinct soil lends a pleasant minerality, while the tropical fruit play is balanced with a white pepper note typical of this varietal. Pairs well with a wide range of foods including Asian cuisine and fish with fresh herbs.

*Alc. 12.5 % – acidity 5,6 g/l – residual sugar 1.3 g/l*

2018 **WINEENTHUSIAST** THE WORLD IN YOUR GLASS **90 pts.** *“A touch of white pepper surrounds the green pear peel hints on the nose. The palate comes in with balanced lightness that is juicy and fresh, helped along by gentle spritz. This is easy, juicy, balanced and dry.” ANNE KREBIEHL MW \$20*



### Tegernseerhof Grüner Veltliner Bergdistel 2019 Smaragd®

The Bergdistel Smaragd® is a blend of the lower terraces of the different Cru's in Loiben and Weissenkirchen. The combination of coolness, maturity and vitality of this Grüner Veltliner finishes in a shining elegance and full of finesse! Intense, concentrated wine, which packs spice, ripe pineapple and apricots and a final floral character that fills the mouth. The result is one of the most elegant and balanced Smaragd® Grüner there is.....

*Alc. 14 % acidity 5.3 g/l residual sugar 2.4 g/l*

**WINEENTHUSIAST** THE WORLD IN YOUR GLASS **94 pts.** *“Lemon zest, white pepper and soy savoriness on the nose promise spice and concentration. It is on the textured midpalate that the saltiness spreads, highlighting shimmers of white pepper, crushed sage and yeast. While the core is rich and buffered, the body of the wine remains fluid, slender and taut. A class act.” ANNE KREBIEHL MW \$34,*

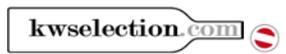
### Tegernseerhof Grüner Veltliner Loibenberg 2018 Smaragd®

Fuller bodied Smaragd® wines are generally sourced from the lower terraces and are harvested slightly early than much of the rest of the Wachau. Selective hand harvest of ripe and healthy grapes multiple times. Destemmed, skin contact for 12-24 hours, pressed and fermented in stainless steel tanks. Our Loibenberg Grüner Veltliner Smaragd® shows a light creamy texture paired with a long lingering finish. The dense fruit flavors on the palate and its tanginess lead to structure and length and prove that the Loibenberg lives up to its reputation as an exceptional cru for producing complex and aging wines.

*Alc. 13.5 % acidity 4.5g/l residual sugar 1.3 g/l*

The first mention of Loibenberg is dating back to 1253. At that time, actually with the title "first vineyard in Austria" and in addition also the largest single individual crus of the Wachau. A characteristic of the Loibenberg is that it is not criss-crossed by ditches or valleys. The naked, bare primary rock forms the typical characteristics – however, loess was fanned in some bays and valleys. The varying altitude, changing soil and the small scale structure of the vineyards makes the Loibenberg one of the most inhomogeneous crus of the Wachau.





**Tegernseerhof Riesling Dürnstein 2019 Federspiel®**

This dry Riesling from the terraced hillside vineyards in the prestigious Wachau is the kind of wine that makes red-wine-only drinkers change sides. The kind that convinces non-Riesling-drinkers that they were wrong. It's that good. This Federspiel Riesling is one of the most versatile wines in the world. A great dry Riesling, which goes with everything except dessert.

Alc. 12.5 % – acidity 6.5 g/l – residual sugar 4 g/l

**WINEENTHUSIAST** 91 pts. *“Lifted lemon and white blossom notes spell vivid, aromatic freshness on the nose. The palate then comes in with zesty intent on a slender, racy, exciting body that is all about capturing lemon vivaciousness. The finish is dry, mouthwatering and zesty.”* ANNE KREBIEHL MW \$24



**Tegernseerhof Riesling Steinertal 2017 Smaragd®**

“The north wind blows cold air at night on the terraces that build up like giant rows of veteran almost symmetrically upwards. A cover of soft sand runs through the vines and enables optimum living conditions. Born into this environment, the Riesling Steinertal is presented as a sensitive artist. It is characterized by fragility and a classy white while drinking occupies many different roles. At times strictly and salty, sometimes with gentle peach tones. Each sip creates new associations on the palate. A great cultural experience in several acts, composed from his own grapes” Martin Mittelbach

Alc. 13.5 % – acidity 6.4 g/l – residual sugar 3.3g/l

**WINEENTHUSIAST** 94 pts. *“Vivid citrus notes fill the nose. There is candied lemon and lemon oil on the nose, with a riper hint of Mandarin orange. The palate is wonderfully tart, lemony and concentrated. This packs a lovely punch and still has a pleasant yeastiness at its core. Dry, zesty and sassy with a lovely bergamot hint on the finish.”*

ANNE KREBIEHL MW \$49



**Tegernseerhof Riesling Kellerberg 2019 Smaragd®**

A fruit explosion with spiciness, power and elegance at once. Longevity is guaranteed and shown in tension, in the remaining long aftertaste and with its unbelievable precision. It tempts you with its aristocratic charm and captivates within the first sip.

Alc. 13 % – acidity 6g/l – residual sugar 5.5g/l

**WINEENTHUSIAST** 95 pts. *“A flinty touch of reduction accompanies the lemon notes on the wine's nose. The palate comes with immediate clarity and brightness that underlines the vivid citrus freshness at the very core. This is bright and juicy, streamlined and utterly refreshing, always reverberating with fine lemony pithiness.”*

ANNE KREBIEHL MW \$52



**What is a "Smaragd"?**

**the highest of the three quality categories in the Wachau**

Smaragd is the name for the best, most treasured wines from the Vinea Wachau members. The alcohol content of these wines begins at 12.5% by volume.

This, along with the highest grape ripeness and natural concentration, are what make this world-class designation possible. Emerald-colored lizards – also known as Smaragd - are at home in the terraced vineyards of the Wachau. On bright, sunny days, their beauty is highlighted dramatically as they bask in the gleaming sun next to the



**Vinea Wachau**

For the Vinea Wachau, wine is a completely natural product, one which represents its area of origin and the distinctions of the area as well. The Codex Wachau and the landmarks Steinfeder®, Federspiel® und Smaragd® are a declaration of dedication to natural wine production and the strictest control.



**Codex Wachau**

<https://www.vinea-wachau.at/en/vinea-wachau/translate-to-english-vinea-wachau>

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94	Tegernseerhof	2017	Ried Kellerberg Smaragd	Riesling	Wachau	\$49.00
94	Tegernseerhof	2017	Ried Steinertal Smaragd	Riesling	Wachau	\$49.00
94	Tegernseerhof	2017	Ried Höhereck Smaragd	Grüner Veltliner	Wachau	\$49.00
94	Tegernseerhof	2017	Bergdistel Smaragd	Grüner Veltliner	Wachau	\$34.00

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93	Tegernseerhof	2018	Ried Kellerbeberg	Riesling	Wachau	\$52.00

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95	Tegernseerhof	2019	Ried Schutt Smaragd	Grüner Veltliner	Wachau	\$52.00
91	Tegernseerhof	2019	Durnstein Federspiel	Riesling	Wachau	\$24.00

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