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The Tegernseerhof is situated in the middle of one of the most beautiful winegrowing regions in Austria. 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. At the time, the abbey was recognized as a center for literature, the production of illustrated books and erudition. 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. Means, it was the first Winery in the Eastern Wachau.



Tegernseerhof Vinery

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

As a member of the exclusive association "Vinea Wachau", the vinification follows the regulations of the "Codex Wachau" - a declaration of dedication to natural wine production and the strictest control.



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Martin Mittelbach



Various air masses converge on all single vineyards: cold forest air from tributary valleys of Austria's Waldviertel and warmer air from the Pannonic Plain. Among other things, the constant movement of the air masses contributes to the creation of aromas in the grapes, while the hillside vineyards get just the right amount of sunlight and at night, the dry stone slopes retain the necessary amount of warmth for the vines. In addition, the mountain terraces aid in channeling the flow of cooler air into the valley. And the Danube itself plays a positive role too.



After the vines have been so carefully attended to the year 'round with such skill and commitment, the wine harvest at Tegernseerhof will often last into the cold December. Naturally, the grapes are selected by hand and with the greatest of care. The result of the complex vinification: Distinctive wines with elegant structures, rich in finesse and full of spirit!

*"The highest level of excellence must be the minimum we should expect from these wines."
(Martin Mittelbach).*

The first step on the road to getting there: Maintain regional identity. According to Martin Mittelbach, this means an equal amount of obligation and passion. It also takes an extensive knowledge of the climatic conditions and an understanding of the qualities of the soil, the potential of each vineyard and the constant utilization of all of this knowledge.

At the end of the day, all that matters is one result: Wines with personalities of their own and that are each a one-of-a-kind in terms of fragrance, structure and body.



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KEY FACTS:

Estate:	Boutique Winery founded 1176 by Monastery of Tegernsee
Area:	Wachau – UNESCO World Heritage Trust
Size:	27 ha ~ 200.000 bottles/year
Grapes:	Gruener Veltliner; Riesling
Vine +	
Wine Philosophy:	Origin; traditional Artisanry; Purity; natural Maintenance
Sales Focus:	Private, Fine Wine Trade, HoReCa