



# STEININGER



## KAMPTAL, AUSTRIA

Along with its neighbors Wachau and Kremstal, Kamptal completes Austria's triple crown of prominent wine regions along the Danube in the country's northeastern section. The region's bisected by the river Kamp, a tributary of the Danube that has left deposits of sandstone, loess, and gravel in the soil. This diversity enables Kamptal to produce some of Austria's best Gruner Veltliner and Riesling.

With warm days influenced by the hot Pannonian plains in the east and cool nights brought on by colder air from the north and northwest, Kamptal has a suitably balanced climate for long-ripening, aromatic whites with hyper-focused fruit. The major town here is Langenlois, perhaps Austria's most important wine town and a source of wines of excellent quality and surprising value.

### ORIGIN

KAMPTAL | LANGENLOIS, AUSTRIA

### DESIGNATION

Reserve Sparkling Wine

### VARIETY

100% Grüner Veltliner

### VINEYARD

From estate vineyards grown on soils of schist bedrock, gneiss and amphibolite, covered with loess. Average vine age of 30 years.

### ABOUT

In 1989 Karl Steininger started with the traditional bottle fermentation for his Sekt. He created an Austrian sparkling wine philosophy by using only typical Kamptal varieties. In the classic line the secret of success is based on two factors: on the one hand the high quality of the base wines, which present themselves clear, fruity and aromatic and on the other hand the gentle second fermentation in the bottle.

### PROCESS

The grapes are hand-harvested in the middle of October with best physiological ripeness. Gently pressed before fermented in used acacia barrels. After the second fermentation, the sparkling wine ages for at least 24 months on the yeast.

### TASTING

Classic Grüner Veltliner fruit and delicate herbal spices on the nose. Yellow-gold color, in the nose aromas of spice, hints of soft minerality yellow-fruits herbs, balm and some honeydew. Creamy texture, juicy, lively and very well balanced. A fine and structured sparkling wine

### WINERY

The family-run winery Steininger is situated in Langenlois in the Kamptal Valley. Lower Austria is well-known for the Grüner Veltliner and this is also the strength of the winery. Grüner Veltliner represents about 80% of their production. It can be found in different styles, from a light summer wine to powerful and voluminous full bodied wines as well as dessert wines.