



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

Kamptal DAC

VARIETY

Riesling

VINEYARD

From estate vineyards are located around Langenlois. The grapes are grown on soils granite and gneiss. Gneiss is a foliated metamorphic rock in which the coarse mineral grains easily identifiable by the bands or layers of varying mineral composition. Vineyard elevations range from 755-855 feet above sea level.

PROCESS

Hand-harvested at beginning of October. Grapes are sorted and destemmed prior to a 4-hour maceration. Fermented in temperature controlled stainless-steel tanks and aged for an addition 3 months on the lees prior to bottling. 4 g/L of residual sugar.

TASTING

Brilliant green-yellow, peach, ringlets and slight hints of grapefruit on the nose, green apple on the palate, citrus fruits on the finish. Classic variety representative from the Kamptal.

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. The Steininger winery is also well known for their sparkling wines which are produced according to the traditional method. Excellent base wines and vigilant second fermentation are the keys to obtaining great sparkling wines.