

2006 Grüner Veltliner AL

Sites and Climate

The interplay of soil and climate form the basic character of the wines from the Kamptal. The influence of the Pannonian climate from Hungary to the east brings hot, dry days to the area. And the cool air currents from the Waldviertel region to the north help spice up those hot daytime Kamptal temperatures, which reach up to 38° Celcius.

The soils are just as unique - and ideal - for wine growing. Found here is Gföhler gneiss, the primary rock of which the hills of the Kamptal are composed. This is covered by a layer of brown soil, though, at various points, a chalky layer is nestled between them. Also in the area is loess, airborne dust deposited during the ice age and that metamorphosed into fertile soil. And finally, there are clay soils, which are found along the banks of the Kamp river.

Tasting Notes

Tremendously concentrated aroma with notes of stone fruit, lemon and herbs. Even with its dense fruitiness and enormous body, the wine seems closed at first - but when it comes in contact with air, its true aromas unfold. A long, thrilling finish rounds out this monument of rich finesse.

Vinification

Following careful selection during the harvest, the overripe grapes from the vineyard sites were pressed (each site separately). This extremely fine Auslese (22°KMW) was fermented in a large traditional oak cask and then matured on the fine lees in a steel tank until it was bottled in August 2007.



Vineyards

Half of the grapes are from the Langenlois **Käferberg** and the other half are from the Zöbing **Kogelberg**. These two primary rock sites fit together so perfectly.

Vintage

The hot and somewhat sub-tropical climate between mid-June and the end of July made up for the slight delay that occurred earlier in the growth cycle; in fact, it sped the process up by a week. However, that tempo was lost during the cool and rainy August.

But September brought unique late summer conditions: warm and dry right until November. Such an exciting period had not been experienced here in years

Fred Loimer Estate

This wine estate in Langenlois is one of the most treasured in the Austrian wine scene. And for many years, the Seeberg has been considered as one of the great Aus

trian Rieslings. (In fact, even the 2004 vintage was described by Vinaria magazine as a "great wine".)

As both a wine lover and quality fanatic, Fred Loimer says: "I am glad that wine now rates so highly with the young generation. In fact, sometimes very formal tastings go against the grain with me. Wine is about having fun; enjoying life. Too much academic seriousness is simply not a good thing."

Technical Data

Qualitätswein	AL
Origin:	Kamptal, Austria
Grape variety:	Grüner Veltliner
Alcohol:	14,0 % vol.
Residual sugar:	12,2 g/l
Acidity:	6,9g/l