



## RIED LOIBENBERG RIESLING SMARAGD® 2011

<b>Origin:</b>	Austria, Wachau, Unterloiben
<b>Quality grade:</b>	Österreichischer Qualitätswein
<b>Site:</b>	Loibenberg
<b>Normal Classification:</b>	Smaragd
<b>Site Type:</b>	terraces
<b>Varietal:</b>	Riesling 100 %
<b>Sea Level:</b>	213 - 396 m
<b>Soil:</b>	gneiss   little   top soil primary rock   little   top soil stony   little   top soil sandy   little   top soil



### Vineyard Site:

Loibenberg is the second monumental site in the eastern Wachau. The 31 hectares of vines on this mountain are exposed to a Pannonian climate that leaves its signature on the wines of these vineyards. Despite this, the warmth is moderated by vast differences in altitude. 200 vertical meters separate the Danube and the border of the forest at 420 meters. The steep terraces of Gfoehler gneiss and loess combine with the climate for a large versatility in wine styles.

### CELLAR

<b>Harvest:</b>	handpicked
<b>Fermentation:</b>	partly spontaneous

### DATA

<b>Wine Type:</b>	Still wine   white   dry
<b>Alcohol:</b>	13.5 %
<b>Residual Sugar:</b>	1.8 g/l
<b>Acid:</b>	4.9 g/l
<b>Allergens:</b>	sulfites

### AWARDS

<b>Falstaff:</b>	93
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### WINE DESCRIPTION



Barren, rugged structure – under enormous pressure over 500 million years converted into gneiss and weathered to primary rock - this is the breeding ground on which the Riesling at Loibenberg exudes its filigree elegance and subtle minerality. This keeps the wine vibrant and complex. The acidity adds wonderful length creating a great wine - very approachable in its youth with potential to age 20 years. Wines from the vintage 2011 are very strong, dense wines with harmonious acid structures and great ageing potential, which they are proving right now after maturing under the perfect conditions in our cellar.

## WINERY

The Tegernseerhof is situated in the middle of one of the most beautiful winegrowing regions in Austria – the Wachau, UNESCO World Heritage Site. The original facilities were built in 1176 by the Benedictine community of the Tegernsee Abbey. Today, Martin Mittelbach is the sixth generation of owners. Among the best-known, excellent locations and wines are Schuett, Hoehereck, Loibenberg, Steinertal and Kellerberg. As a member of the association “Vinea Wachau”, the vinification follows the regulations of the “Codex Wachau” - a declaration of dedication to natural wine production and the strictest control. "The highest level of excellence must be the minimum we should expect from these wines." Martin Mittelbach.