



RIED LOIBENBERG RIESLING SMARAGD® 2016

Origin:	Austria, Wachau, Unterloiben
Quality grade:	Österreichischer Qualitätswein
Site:	Loibenberg
Normal Classification:	Smaragd
Site Type:	terraces
Varietal:	Riesling 100 %
Sea Level:	213 - 396 m
Soil:	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

Harvest:	handpicked
Fermentation:	partly spontaneous

DATA

Wine Type:	still wine white dry
Alcohol:	13 %
Residual Sugar:	7.3 g/l
Acid:	6.6 g/l
Allergens:	sulfites

AWARDS

Falstaff:	94
A la Carte:	94
The Wine Enthusiast:	93

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.

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.