

THE SOURCE MALAT KREMSTAL



KREMSTAL RIESLING 1ÖTW "RIED PFAFFENBERG"

PRODUCER OVERVIEW

Ninth-generation winegrower, Michael Malat took the lead from his father, Gerald, at their Kremstal winery that dates to 1722. One of Austria's prime Grüner Veltliner and Riesling regions, Kremstal is a climatic tug-of-war between eastern Pannonian warm winds and cold western Alpine air. It's home to a great diversity of soil types on large terraces, from loess (wind-blown calcareous fine sands), gravels and various rock formations of limestone, crystalline, mica-schist and granulite. Most of their classic range is raised in ancient 50-100ha wooden vats, lending a unique flavor profile and rounded quality to their finely etched wines. Malat is also historically connected to some small-grower Austrian sparkling wines and is often considered to be the country's top Sekt producer.

VINEYARD DETAILS

Ried Pfaffenberg 1ÖTW is on the left bank of the Danube. Planted in the 1990s, the vines face south/southeast at 200-370m on extremely steep terraces. The bedrock is gneiss, granite and schist, and the topsoil decomposed bedrock and calcareous loess.

CELLAR NOTES

Natural fermentation in stainless and aged in 2000L wood barrels for 6-8 months in old. First sulfites added after pressing. No fining or filtration.

