

Malat

2014 Pinot Blanc, 'Am Zaum'

Varietal(s)	Pinot Blanc
Region	Kremstal, Austria
Short Summary	
Terroir	Malat's vineyards are located on the right bank (south side) of the Danube. Despite large topographical differences on the two sides of the river, all of the Kremstal is similarly influenced by the cold winds of the Waldviertel from the north and forests from the south, which creates a tug-of-war with the warm Pannonian climate from the east. These grapes are sourced from vineyards just below the terraces of one of Michael's best vineyards, Silberbichl. It's one of his few plots that are within the Wachau district rather than Kremstal, but the soil is more relatable to Kremstal with its fertile loess and rounded conglomerate deposits.
Cellar Notes	The grapes are hand picked and selected without botrytis. The press is gentle and the fermentation is made spontaneous with natural yeast in stainless steel vats. The first small sulfite addition is right after pressing before primary fermentation.
Farming	Sustainable—Organic Certified—Biodynamic Certified—Uncertified Naturalist
Alcohol %	11.5-12.5
Total SO2	None Added—Very Low—Low—Medium—High