



PRODUCER PROFILE

Estate owned by: City of Krems
Winemaker: Fritz Miesbauer and Peter Rethaller
Total acreage under vine: 76
Estate founded: 1452
Region: Kremstal
Country: Austria

Stadt Krems Stein Grüner Veltliner 2018

WINE DESCRIPTION

Weingut Stadt Krems was founded in 1452 as a source of revenue for the hospital of Krems and is one of the oldest wineries in Austria. The municipality of Krems still owns the 560-year old winery and is today one of the best in the region. Farming practices are ‘Certified Sustainable,’ and the estate belongs to the prestigious Traditionsweingüter.

Kremstal is a transitional region between the loess soils of Kamptal and the stone terraces of Wachau and the character of its wines depends greatly on vineyard location. The vineyards of Weingut Stadt Krems are within the city limits of Krems and its neighboring district of Stein where steep terraces face the Danube on primary rock-based soils.

Grüner Veltliner Stein Kremstal DAC Reserve is an ‘Ortswein’ or village-level wine intended to capture the typicity of Stein, a *Stadtteil* (district) of Krems. Stein borders the Wachau and marks the start of the primary rock-based soils that typify the Wachau. From two terraced vineyards: Steiner Altenberg with gneiss and slate; and Steiner Gaisberg with schist and amphibolite. Vinified in stainless steel tanks.

TASTING NOTES

Grüner Veltliner is the signature grape of Austria and produces a dry white wine with savory aromas, spicy flavors, and good acidity. Young Grüner Veltliner is fresh-tasting with notes of green apple, lemon, radish, and arugula. Lighter styles of Grüner Veltliner are intended for immediate drinking, while more structured examples can age for many years.

FOOD PAIRING

Grüner Veltliner’s bright acidity and savory character make it an ideal partner to mildly spiced Vietnamese, Thai, and Chinese dishes. Fish and shellfish are accented by Grüner Veltliner’s citrus and mineral profile while its acidity cuts the richness of pork or ham. It can also work well with foods that are difficult to pair such as bitter greens and asparagus.

VINEYARD & PRODUCTION INFO

Production area/appellation: Kremstal DAC
Vineyard name: Ried Altenberg, Ried Gaisberg

WINEMAKING & AGING

Varietal composition: 100% Grüner Veltliner
Fermentation container: Stainless steel tanks
Fining agent: Animal based
Type of aging container: Stainless steel tanks