

Salomon Undhof - "Hochterrassen" Grüner Veltliner

- Certified organic, small batch, terroir expressive heritage varieties from terraced vineyards above the Danube
- From the pioneering 17th century winegrowing family that introduced the dry white wine style to their country
- "The best value of the everyday Grüners is Salomon Undhof Hochterrassen Grüner Veltliner" - Jancis Robinson

The Producer

Founded in 1792, Salomon Undhof is among the most famous names in Austria for the family's many important contributions to their viticultural history. Situated along the Danube River around the twin medieval towns of Krems and Stein, the Kremstal region is adjacent to the Wachau and the same latitude as Burgundy--in fact, Krems is a sister city to Beaune.

Representing the seventh generation of an enduring family winegrower tradition, Dr. Bert and wife Gertrude Salomon farm the best terraced sites in Urgestein. Their unique topography creates a distinctive microclimate elegantly personified in their vibrant yet approachable wines. Bert adheres to the CIP (Controlled Integrated Production) regulations in optimizing soil health thru a sustainable, noninterventionist, hands on approach to pruning, canopy management and harvest.

Bert took the reins from his brother Erich in 2002, after careers that included managing director for Austrian Wine Marketing Ltd and board member of Schlumberger AG Vienna. Erich followed his father in 1971, during which time and acting on an inspiration from Hospice du Beaune, transformed the deteriorating nearby Und Monastery into the first national Austrian vinothèque, "Weinkolleg Kloster Und." Preceding his sons, Fritz Salomon (1905-1971) was both a pioneer by bottling the first estate wine in the greater Kremstal and Wachau area back in 1932, and also as the first winemaker to export wines to Europe and the USA.

In The News

Salomon Undhof named
[Top 100 Winery Of 2013](#)
- Wine & Spirits 10/15/13

Wachtberg Grüner Veltliner
93 points - "Cellar Selection"
- Wine Enthusiast 7/01/12

2009 Undhof Kögl Riesling
Top 100 Wines Of The Year
- Wine Spectator 7/01/12



The Wine

The grapes of this spritzy entry level bottling come from high-altitude terraces in Stein and Krems. Grown on loess-conglomerate soils this dry wine has a lovely bouquet of fine citrus and fresh herbs.

The symbiosis of ancient stone soils and Danube-influenced microclimate and old vineyard terraces yields the optimal growth conditions for aromatic, elegant white wines.

Master Of Wine and Oxford Companion To Wine editor **Jancis Robinson** extolls: "the best value of everyday Grüners is the Salomon Undhof Hochterrassen Grüner Veltliner".



The Winemaking

APPELLATION *Niederösterreich*

VARIETAL *100% Grüner Veltliner grown in terraced soils*

CRUSH *handpicked, destemmed into pneumatic press*

FERMENT *cold soak 3 to 4 w weeks; sur lie two months*

AGING *stainless steel*

OLFACTORY *bright lovely bouquet of fine citrus and fresh herbs*

PALATE *yellow/orange fruits, white asparagus and pepper*

PROFILE *classic example of a lively refreshing quaffer, "probably the best value of the everyday Grüners is Salomon Undhof's Hochterrassen" - Jancis Robinson*

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The Region: Kremstal

- ▶ Austria's first internationally renowned appellation to adopt the DAC appellation system, recently introduced in 2003
- ▶ the DAC is a two-tiered system only recognizing Grüner Veltliner and Riesling, production of DAC wines total 80,000 cases
- ▶ wines can be produced either in the light style with the alcohols 12-12.5%, or robust Reserve style, minimum 13% alcohol
- ▶ only 2,200 hectares are under vine and average elevations are at 800 ft; wine production dates to the Romans in 15 BC