

# Lower Austria / Niederösterreich: Weinviertel DAC



**Size & Location:** 16,000 ha/39,500 acres.

Austria's largest wine area stretches to the northern border of Slovenia and the Czech Republic. River, between the Manhartsberg Mountain to the west and the Marchauen to the east, the Weinviertel extends southwards right to the gates of Vienna.

**Important Villages:** Retz, Roshitz, Seefeld-Kadolz.

**Soil Types:** Diverse soil types b/c of the size of the region. Loess, clay, limestone, slate and sedimentary rock formations.

**Varietals & Style:** Grüner Veltliner rules. Muller-Thurgau, Welschriesling, Weissburgunder (Pinot Blanc), Zweigelt, Blauer Portugieser, Traminer, and Riesling.

**Climate:** South - range from *temperate* to *arid*.

Central - temperate with a relatively dry summer.

North – *Continental*.

## Important Facts

- 8,500 ha of vineyards dedicated to Grüner Veltliner.
- Weinviertel is a large area with different soil types.
- Grüner Veltliner displays flavors of green and white peppercorns in its youth and black pepper in its mature stages. The term "Pfefferl" is the Austrian term used to describe the pepper aromas.
- Sekt/sparkling wine produced in the northeast corner by well known producers Schlumberger and Kattus
- **Producers of Note:** Zull, Setzer, Graf Hardegg in the west. Pfaffl and Taubenschuss in the east.