

Wine Wednesday with Arturo Ciompi: Grooner!!!

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Austrian wines have been good for a long while, but lack of marketing and a few tainted wine scandals put them on the back burner. Here is a splendid wine made from Austria's most important white varietal. The fanciful label shows just how far they have come in bringing pleasure to the American market.

2009 Grooner, Grüner Veltliner, weingut Meinhard Forstreiter \$12 srp

Overt nose of peach and apple with a lime-like kick. Very juicy, fresh, great-outdoors flavor. A slightly oily mouth texture with lip-smacking refreshment. Fun to drink with a light sense of spritz. Try with beer-soaked pork or spicy Tabouli salad.

87/100 points