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Grüner Veltliner Priorissa Alte Reben 2001

Varietal(s):	100% Grüner Veltliner
Wine Region/ Denomination of Origin:	Kremstal, Niederösterreich Priorissa (indicates the best wine of the winery of a certain grape variety and was introduced by an association of winemakers called "Kremstaler Convent" of which Josef Schmid was member before joining the "Traditionsweingüter Österreich")
Vineyard(s)	Frechau and Fliegerin, situated to the north-east of the historic town of Krems, were freshly replanted in 1956, making the vines were 45 years old when we harvested the grapes for this vintage.
Date of harvest:	October 21, 2001
Sugar concentration:	20 °KMW (23.5 °Bx, 100 °Oe)
Yield:	38 hl/ha (about 2.2 tons per acre)
Vinification:	The grapes were harvested manually, destemmed, and carefully pressed after skin contact of 4 hours. After another 15 hours of natural clarification in steel vats spontaneous fermentation took place at a stable temperature of 22 °C for 13 days. After that the wine was transferred into large wooden barrels and kept on the fine lees for 4 months before being filtered and bottled.
Date of bottling:	April 28, 2002
Alcohol:	13.5 %vol.
Acidity:	5.2 g/l
Residual sugar:	2.5 g/l
Tasting notes:	Smooth and elegant, creamy, ripe acidity. Aromas of roasted almonds, notes of caraway seeds and subtle hints rosemary and thyme; the palate shows nuttiness, honey essence and a tobacco spiciness, Perfectly balanced, currently on its peak that will last at least another 5 years. This is matured Grüner Veltliner at its finest.
Available from:	May 2002
Ready to drink:	2002 – 2022
Total production:	3,500 bottles / 290 cases of 12 bottles each