

Laurenz V, Vienna

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According to Lenz Moser, the fifth-generation descendant of the famed Rohrendorf wine dynasty that created this gruner veltliner-only winery in 2003, it appeared by August that the harvest would be the earliest in decades. But heavy rain in early September changed everything, and the result was a normal gruner veltliner harvest, picked mostly in very good conditions through the month of October. Incidentally, the winery's headquarters are in Vienna but their vineyards are in Kamptal.

Also recommended: 2007 Laurenz V Friendly Gruner Veltliner (87), 2007 Laurenz und Sophie Singing Gruner Veltliner (87). (Folio Fine Wine Partners, Napa, CA)

[2006 Laurenz V Charming Gruner Veltliner](#) **88**

(\$25; also available in magnum) Medium yellow-green. Subtle cantaloupe, apricot, blossom honey, tobacco and pepper on the nose. A medium-bodied wine with juicy ripe apple and fresh tobacco leaf flavors complicated by a celery nuance and framed by lively acidity. Finishes with an impression of nearly salty minerality that makes it versatile with food. Drink now through 2011.

[2005 Laurenz V Charming Gruner Veltliner](#) **89**

(\$25) Medium yellow-green. Yellow currant aroma backed by hints of hazelnut cake, orange zest and flint. Gooseberry, green apple and honey flavors are in attractive harmony, with a refreshing acid structure giving wine good definition. Quite appetizing on the finish. Drink now through 2010.