

Germany: 2022 and 2023 Along the Rhine River - Rain Is Necessary, but So Much?

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This report brings together nearly 300 current wines—mainly Rieslings and Pinot Noir—from several, almost exclusively German wine-growing regions along the Rhine. They come mainly, but not exclusively, from the contrasting 2022 and 2023 vintages but also include late-market 2021s and 2020s and even older vintages of sparkling wine. Domaine Allimant-Laugner from Alsace is the only non-German winery to be included, simply so that we don't have to wait months for the next Alsace report to publish the reviews of the wines that were tasted too late to make it into last month's Alsace report.

In previous reports, I extensively discussed the hot and very dry 2022 vintage, which caused problems for the white wines in particular, as their acidity evaporated in the heat. But the extremely stony soils did not cause the vines to suffer so much from the "Sicilian summer" (Simone Adams) that they had to be relieved of their burden (fruit) early on in order to be able to succeed again a year later. Thank goodness they succeeded. And better than expected.

It is well known that sunshine and several months of drought with long-lasting heat waves are less damaging to red wines than white wines under certain conditions. What is astonishing, however, is how strong the German Pinot Noirs can be in the 2022 vintage. If there was ever a predecessor in terms of style, then it could have been 2020. I don't want to mention the 1945 and 1947 vintages now; it's too early for that. However, the wines have significantly more freshness and verve than the comparatively hot vintages of 2018 and 2003. Where they did not have to cook in the sun, the grapes remained healthy until the end and reached perfect physiological ripeness, while their sugar content remained comparatively moderate with clever viticulture. Red wines from 2022 with alcohol levels well below 13% and with fascinating freshness, cool silkiness, juicy fruit and stimulating salinity can also be found. It goes without saying that the soils had to be protected from drying out during the prolonged drought. Mulch farming and straw carpets are one possibility, while the greenery between the rows must be selected or designed in such a way that it does not deprive the thirsty vines of water. German summers have been excellent for Blaufränkisch (Lemberger) for 25 years. However, the variety has so far essentially remained a Württemberg phenomenon. However, it should have the best prospects in the medium term, especially along the Rhine. Here, Pinot Noir is holding up surprisingly well despite thin skins. Probably never before in history has there been such a succession of excellent vintages for Pinot as in the last 25 years. Only the Frühburgunder (Pinot Noir Précoce) has struggled to retain at least a hint of freshness. It has always been rare enough, but in the future, it could be an absolute quality, if it survives at all in these latitudes. But perhaps it will also migrate north.

The 2022 and 2023 vintages have once again shown that viticultural measures are decisive for the style and quality of wines, not only in extremely dry years but also in wet ones. From May to midsummer, it was so dry in Germany that the winter water reserves were used up. But then the rain came, in some areas as early as late July, in others not until mid-August. The problem: the rain didn't stop, not even during or after veraison.

The grapes couldn't handle all that water, soaking it up until they burst or almost burst. Anyone who didn't have a golden nose here (i.e., planting winter fruit as early as August to let them invest into the forecasted water supply to grow quickly, whereas the Pinot varieties remained healthy like Rieslings) or didn't find another way to help themselves (canopy and soil management) ran into severe turbulence when it came to the harvest. A big harvest team was extremely helpful, the more so when the helping hands were at the domaines early enough. After and even during the rain, negative preselections were necessary in many vineyards to keep botrytis or vinegar rot from spreading. Also, Drosophila suzukii was back again and a serious threat for red varieties. So, the harvest start was often frustrating, but things turned to the better in early September, when the sun was back but much less merciless than during summer and allowed the grapes to ripen again under dry and healthy conditions. 2023 is definitely a growers' vintage, even if not all the growers took the smartest decisions and lost lots of money to reduced yields and/or strict selection of grapes at harvest.

It's still too early to speak about the 2023 red wines, but the whites are stunning, namely Riesling and Chardonnay, which is an up-and-coming variety in the region, particularly among the younger producers in Rheinhessen and Pfalz. The fermentations ran faster than in 2022, so wine lovers can find bright and juicy white wines with perfectly ripe fruit aromas, ripe and fine acidity and a mineral backbone that gives the finest 2023s excellent aging potential, even though they already taste gorgeous at this early stage.

Finally, I'd like to draw your attention to two producers whose wines I had never tasted before for The Wine Advocate but which I shouldn't miss in the coming years: Moritz Kissinger in Rheinhessen (due to his sparkling wine, Chardonnay, Pinot Blanc and Riesling) and Solveigs Pinot Noir from Assmannshausen in the Rheingau. Solveigs winemaker Jens Heinemeyer presented a series of 30 Pinots going back to the 1995 vintage. His wines are well known in Scandinavia but much less so in their home country.

Vintage Ratings

2023

- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Ganz Horn Trockenbeerenauslese** RP 98
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Im Sonnenschein Riesling GG** RP 97+
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Kastanienbusch Riesling GG** RP 97
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Schäwer Riesling trocken GG** RP 96
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Riesling Auslese Ganz Horn** RP 96
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- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Im Sonnenschein Weisser Burgunder GG** RP 94+
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Ganz Horn GG** RP 94
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Birkweiler vom Rotliegenden Riesling trocken** RP 94
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- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Siebeldingen vom Buntsandstein Riesling trocken** RP 93
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2022

- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Spätburgunder Siebeldingen Im Sonnenschein GG** RP 95
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Spätburgunder Siebeldinger Förster** RP 94
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Spätburgunder Siebeldingen vom Muschelkalk** RP 93
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Chardonnay R** RP 92
- **Ökonomierat Rebholz Spätburgunder** RP 91

Older Vintages

- **2021 Ökonomierat Rebholz Albersweiler Latt Gewürztraminer trocken** RP 92+
- **2020 Ökonomierat Rebholz Schäwer Riesling trocken GG** RP 95



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Ganz Horn Trockenbeerenauslese



Release Price: **Drink Date:** Rating: 98 N/A 2030 - 2100

The 2023 Ganz Horn Trockenbeerenauslese is pure, very intense and concentrated on the lemon-fresh, savory, saline and flinty nose that reveals pineapple aromas and still a higher level of sulfur reduction. Rich and purely fruity on the palate, this Trockenbeerenauslese (TBA) is a highly finessed, remarkably stimulating and digestible sweet wine that is uplifted toward heaven by its great finesse and delicate acidity, which makes this is a filigreed and extremely frisky TBA that can only be produced in rare vintages. The 2023 is a future legend, of which only 50 or 60 bottles will be sold in the future, possibly in a box along with the Auslese and the GG, since all three were picked at the same time (over four days around mid-September) from the same block containing the oldest vines. There is no fatness or palatable richness here despite the 330 grams per liter of residual sugar thanks to 21 grams per liter of total acidity. The grapes were picked at 220° Oechsle. The relation of acidity and Oechsle is "abnormal," since the acidity was as high as 24 to 26 grams per liter when the berries were sorted manually and carefully and looked just like caviar berries with not even a hint of botrytis. The single berries were just shriveled to raisins without noble rot. The ripeness was there very early, but then the wind kept them healthy and caused a harvest that is unrivaled in 50 years in terms of how early the grapes were picked and how healthy they were. 6.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Ganz Horn Pfalz White/Young/Table/Sweet

Trockenbeerenauslese

Variety:

View wine Riesling



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Im Sonnenschein Riesling GG



Release Price: **Drink Date:** Rating:

97+ N/A 2025 - 2060

The 2023 Im Sonnenschein Riesling GG is based on 60+-year-old vines on Muschelkalk soils. It opens with a spectacularly pure, saline, intense and calcareous nose of ripe and dense seed fruits with crystalline saline notes of crushed rocks (and there are many rocks in this site). Pure, saline and with the grip of wet stones on the palate, this is a full-bodied, juicy, elegant and textured Riesling with fine tannins and a long, complex and savory finish. 12.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Im Sonnenschein Riesling GG Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

Variety:



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Kastanienbusch Riesling GG



Release Price: Rating: Drink Date:

97 N/A 2025 - 2065

The Kirrweiler 2023 Kastanienbusch Riesling GG opens remarkably fine and flinty, with a stunningly tropical bouquet of just-ripe mango aromas intermingled with tea and herbal as well as rose resin and vegetal aromas. Very complex and also highly refined, it's a beautifully intense and noble nose. Sourced from the highest, steepest and most shallow part of Rebholz's four-hectare holdings in this 18-hectare cru, this is a remarkably pure and saline yet dense and intense, very complex Riesling from red-colored Rotliegend soils, a conglomerate of volcanic (melaphyre) rocks, slate, sand and clay. This is a fascinating, bone dry yet not ascetic but juicy and textural Riesling that is the most complete of the GGs. 12.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Kastanienbusch Riesling GG Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

Variety:





96 N/A 2025 - 2060

Exclusively from the vines that were planted in 1983, the Burrweiler 2023 Schäwer Riesling trocken GG is intense as well as pure and flinty on the saline and nicely reductive, herbal/lemony nose with bay leaf and even caramelly notes. Very elegant, refined and light-footed on the palate, this is a pleasantly textured, frisky and stimulating saline Riesling with fine mineral grip and a perfect expression of slate. This is a stellar Schäwer from just a 0.1-hectare plot of 40-year-old vines. All vines that are younger go into the vom Schiefer. This is Riesling based on perfectly ripe and heathy fruit and a great, crystalline and saline terroir. 12% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Schäwer Riesling trocken GG Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

Variety:

Riesling <u>View wine</u>



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Riesling Auslese Ganz Horn



Release Price: **Drink Date:** Rating:

96 2035 - 2070 N/A

From the old vines of the cru that also source the GG and picked at the same time (mid-September) at 110° Oechsle, the 2023 Riesling Auslese Ganz Horn is clear, pure, fresh and savory on the coolish and saline as well as earthy nose that reveals candied fruit aromas. This is an elegant and saline but rich and generous Riesling Auslese with a stimulating saline finish. It is bottled with 130 grams per liter of residual sugar but tastes richer and sweeter than the Gewurztraminer Auslese from the Latt, yet the finish is rejuvenating, savory and fresh. I would therefore cellar this beauty for at least 10 years to reduce the sensation of sugar. The wine will become even better, most of all more delicate and filigreed then. 7% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Riesling Auslese Ganz Horn Pfalz White/Young/Table/Sweet

Variety:



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Gewürztraminer Auslese Albertsweiler Latt



Release Price: Rating: Drink Date:

95 2025 - 2065 N/A

The 2023 Gewürztraminer Auslese Albertsweiler Latt is pure, fresh, refined and elegant yet also intense in its lychee and floral aromas that intermingle with citric notes. Rich and textured yet still filigreed and light on the palate, this is a well-structured, saline, savory, lush and stimulating Gewürztraminer Auslese with a long, aromatic and seriously mineral finish. This is a gorgeous, mouth-filling and stimulating wine whose 100 grams of residual sugar are magically uplifted by the mineral foundation and the light, refined and elegant body. The acidity of 5.7 grams per liter might also help, but it's rather finessed and delicate for the amount of acidity. Try this wine with certain creamy cheeses yet not necessarily Alsatian Munster cheese. 10% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Gewürztraminer Auslese Pfalz White/Early/Table/Sweet

Variety:

Albertsweiler Latt

Gewürztraminer View wine



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Im Sonnenschein Weisser Burgunder GG



Rating: Release Price: Drink Date:

94+ N/A 2025 - 2055

Vinified in stainless steel and amphorae until early July, the 2023 Im Sonnenschein Weisser Burgunder GG is a clear, intense and flinty Pinot Blanc with floral as well as calcareous notes. Playful, finessed and almost filigreed on the palate, this is a dense and intense, very elegant and textured Pinot with delicate tannins and a good, elegant and finely grippy finish. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Im Sonnenschein Weisser Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

Variety:

Burgunder GG

Pinot Blanc View wine





94 N/A 2029 - 2050

From vines planted on colored sandstone soils between 1980 and 1985, the Siebeldingen Riesling trocken 2023 Ganz Horn GG opens with a deep, intense, herbal and saline bouquet with intense flinty as well as the fine sur lie notes that characterize the nose. Bottled in June 2024, the 2023 grand cru is intense, savory and saline on the elegant and balanced palate that reveals a creamy, very elegant and balanced texture. The finish is savory, saline and spicy, with cumin notes. This GG is from the oldest vines and was picked almost two weeks earlier than the vom Buntsandstein Riesling, right after the selections for Trockenbeerenauslese and Auslese. 12% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Ganz Horn GG Pfalz White/Young/Table/Dry

Variety:



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Birkweiler vom Rotliegenden Riesling trocken



Release Price: **Drink Date:** Rating:

94 2026 - 2050 N/A

The 2023 Birkweiler vom Rotliegenden Riesling trocken opens with a deep, pure, clear and smoky nose of lemon leaves, woodruff and herbs as well as notes of crushed and milled, iron-rich rocks. Full-bodied, round and dense on the palate, this is an intense, saline and crystalline, remarkably complex and finely tannic Riesling with a savory and saline finish. This is a great personality thanks to older vines and some almost 20 years old. 13% stated alcohol. Diam 10 cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness: Wine regions:

Birkweiler vom Rotliegenden Pfalz White/Young/Table/Dry

Riesling trocken

Variety:



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Mandelberg Weisser Burgunder GG



Release Price: Rating: Drink Date:

93 2025 - 2045 N/A

From an east-facing site in a higher altitude (compared to the Im Sonnenschein) and 100% vinified in stainless steel, the 2023 Mandelberg Weisser Burgunder GG combines ripe, elegant and juicy fruit with notes of ginger, earthy notes (carrots), smoked speck and fresh lemon juice. Very refined and elegant on the palate, this is a full-bodied, intense and textured, savory and saline-finishing Pinot Blanc with enormous power, but the wine is still on the elegant, fine and juicy side. 13% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness: Producer: Wine regions:

Pfalz Mandelberg Weisser White/Early/Table/Dry

Burgunder GG

Variety:

Pinot Blanc View wine



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Burrweiler vom Schiefer Riesling Kabinett



Release Price: Rating: Drink Date:

93 N/A 2025 - 2060

The 2023 Burrweiler vom Schiefer Riesling Kabinett is deep, clear, bright, pure and juicy on the nose that intertwines ripe, bright fruit aromas with beautiful and refreshing slate aromas, as if this was a Mosel Kabinett. The wine is filigreed, round and juicy, and the finish is savory and absolutely entertaining. This was tasted from a fresh bottle and also from one that was open for 10 weeks. This is a superb, absolutely ageworthy Kabinett, 8% stated alcohol, Natural cork, Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer:

Burrweiler vom Schiefer Riesling Kabinett

Wine regions:

Pfalz White/Early/Table/Mediumsweet

Variety:

Riesling

View wine

Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Burrweiler vom Schiefer Riesling trocken



Release Price: Rating: **Drink Date:**

93 2025 - 2050 N/A

From the Schäwer and the Altenforst and 25- to 30-year-old vines on iron-rich, very colored and stony slate soils the 2023 Burrweiler vom Schiefer Riesling trocken opens with a crystal clear, bright, intense. slatey and iodine-infused bouquet of crushed rocks, salts and flint stone. Round, refined and very elegant on the palate, this is a medium to full-bodied, already complex and savory Riesling with stimulating salts, remarkably fine, vivacious acidity and a very good and persistent finish. It's extraordinarily fine for a village wine. 12.5% stated alcohol. Diam 10 cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Burrweiler vom Schiefer Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

Riesling trocken

Variety:





92 N/A 2025 - 2050

From vines predominantly in Siebeldingen but also Hainfeld and exclusively from colored sandstone and no calcareous soils, the 2023 Riesling trocken opens with a very clear, precise and flinty, pure but also aromatic bouquet with bright, elegant fruit aromas intermingled with herbal and stony as well as sur lie notes. Aged on the lees until early April of the following year, this is an elegant, round, lush and saline Riesling from vines averaging 25 years of age. The finish is crystalline and saline and provided with salivating grip. This is a gorgeous ambassador for the great 2023 vintage at Rebholz. 12% stated alcohol. Screw-cap closure. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Riesling trocken Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

Variety:



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Siebeldinger Weisser Burgunder trocken vom Muschelkalk



Rating: Release Price: Drink Date:

92 N/A 2025 - 2040

Vinified in stainless steel and two 400-liter amphorae, the 2023 Siebeldingen Weisser Burgunder trocken vom Muschelkalk opens with an intense and spicy, pure and saline bouquet with ripe pear, ginger, white flower and sur lie aromas. Very elegant and refined on the palate, this is a full-bodied, creamy and savory Pinot Blanc that pairs intensity with salinity and fine mineral as well as tannin grip. You don't need any oak if you like to have a textural wine like this thanks to the 24 hours of maceration, a certain must oxidation and the basket press. 13.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer:

Siebeldinger Weisser Burgunder trocken vom Muschelkalk

Variety:

Wine regions:

Pfalz

Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

White/Early/Table/Dry

Pinot Blanc View wine



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Producer:

Siebeldinger Weisser Burgunder trocken vom Muschelkalk

Variety:

Wine regions:

Pfalz

Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

White/Early/Table/Dry

Pinot Blanc View wine



2023 Ökonomierat Rebholz Siebeldinger Weisser Burgunder trocken vom Muschelkalk



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Producer:

Siebeldinger Weisser Burgunder trocken vom Muschelkalk

Variety:

Wine regions:

Pfalz

Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

White/Early/Table/Dry

Pinot Blanc View wine



2022 Ökonomierat Rebholz Spätburgunder Siebeldingen Im Sonnenschein GG



Rating: Release Price: Drink Date:

95 N/A 2028 - 2055

The 2022 Spätburgunder Siebeldingen Im Sonnenschein GG is toasty and aromatic on the cherry and dark berry-scented nose. Silky, fresh and vital on the palate, this is a straight, linear, elegant and stimulating savory and saline Pinot from 55-year-old vines. It has fine tannins and a long aromatic finish. 12.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Spätburgunder Siebeldingen Pfalz Red/Young/Table/Dry

Im Sonnenschein GG

Variety:

Pinot Noir View wine



2022 Ökonomierat Rebholz Spätburgunder Siebeldinger Förster



Release Price: Drink Date: Rating:

94 N/A 2025 - 2050

From a Buntsandstein lieu-dit within the Im Sonnenschein single-vineyard site that was planted in the late 1950s, the 2022 Spätburgunder Siebeldinger Förster is deep, fresh and earthy on the cool and spicy nose. This is a full-bodied, intense and juicy, seriously tannic and powerful as well as persistent Pinot Noir from 60-year-old-vines. The finish is long, fresh, pure and aromatic and also spicy and highly stimulating. This was produced with 50% whole clusters, 12.5% stated alcohol, Natural cork, Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Spätburgunder Siebeldinger Pfalz Red/Early/Table/Dry

Förster

Variety:

Pinot Noir View wine



2022 Ökonomierat Rebholz Spätburgunder Siebeldingen vom Muschelkalk



Rating: Release Price: **Drink Date:**

93 2025 - 2050 N/A

Completely sourced in the Im Sonnenschein and from German and Swiss genetics, the 2022 Spätburgunder Siebeldingen vom Muschelkalk opens with a pure, intense and elegant, cherry-scented bouquet with saline limestone and lemon leaf aromas. Surprisingly smooth or soft on the palate but also very elegant and refined, this is a dense, intense and concentrated but balanced, vital and savory, silky textured and finely grippy Pinot that represents the limestone soils perfectly well. This is a wine that ranges qualitatively between Villages and 1er Cru. 12.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Spätburgunder Siebeldingen Pfalz Red/Early/Table/Dry vom Muschelkalk

Variety:

Pinot Noir View wine



2022 Ökonomierat Rebholz Chardonnav R



Release Price: **Drink Date:** Rating:

92 2025 - 2060 N/A

The 2022 Chardonnay R is from vines averaging 21 years of age from diverse vineyards in Siebeldingen (55%), Godramstein and Arzheim. Vinified in pièces (one-third of which were new) for 11 months, then blended and aged for another six months in old pièces, this is a quite aromatic and fruity Chardonnay with an elegant texture, finesse, mineral vitality and remarkable balance. There is bay leaf on the finish that is intense, dense and savory saline with fine phenolic grip and good tension. This had no maceration and gentle pressing, 13% stated alcohol, Natural cork, Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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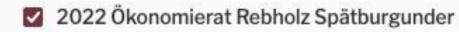
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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Chardonnay R Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

Variety:

Chardonnay View wine





91 N/A 2027 - 2041

Sourced in the Im Sonnenschein (80%) and Rosenberg (20%), the 2022 Spätburgunder is pure, intense and fresh on the nose that shows ripe cherry aromas intertwined with saline, peppery and leafy notes. Silky, fresh and savory on the palate, this is an intense but fresh and rather light, straight and juicy Pinot with refreshing tannins and a stimulating dry and palate-cleansing finish. It's an impressive Pinot that aged in 40% new oak barrels for 16 months and was bottled unfiltered in May 2024. 12.5% stated alcohol. Diam 10 cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Wine regions: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Spätburgunder Pfalz Red/Young/Table/Dry

Variety:

Pinot Noir View wine

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The 2020 Schäwer Riesling trocken GG is clear and pure on the intense yet refined saline, very detailed, delicate nose that offers herbal and slatey as well as caramelly aromas. Round yet dry and savory on the palate, this is an elegant and medium to full-bodied very saline and pure Riesling from old vines rooting in Devonian slate since 1983. 12.5% stated alcohol. Natural cork. Tasted at the domaine in January 2025.

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Producer: Color/Maturity/Type/Sweetness:

Schäwer Riesling trocken GG Pfalz White/Early/Table/Dry

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