



GEORG BREUER

Wine profile

2012 GB ROUGE – PINOT NOIR

Region

With its some 3000 Hectars, Rheingau is one of the smallest wine growing regions in Germany. South facing steep slopes are protected from the cold northerly winds by the Taunus Mountains, giving ideal ripening conditions.

Vintage

After the mild and moist December and January months, February brought record minus degrees with plenty of frost. March was overly warm and very dry, fortunately the weather in April balanced out resulting in a normal bud break at the end of April. Flowering was influenced in June through cool temperatures at night, however ripening began as on average middle of August. The grapes were in fantastic health till the end of October, so the harvest could be completed without complication.

Grape variety

The right location and the vintner's skill is essential for Pinot Noir (Spätburgunder) to fully express its elegant aroma profile.

Soils

Deep, gravely clay soils with layers of quartz and slate prevail in these southerly exposed steep vineyard sites.

Wine estate

Implementing a strict quality philosophy Bernhard Breuer turned the family-owned wine estate with its 34 hectares into a leading estate in the Rheingau. Today it is managed by his daughter Theresa Breuer and production manager of many years, Hermann Schmoranz, with the assistance of cellar master Markus Lundén.

Wine description

Bright ruby red, delicate aromas of wild berries and sour cherry, hints of smoke, clove and vanilla, framed by spicy structure, lush savoury fruit, ripe tannins, well-balanced and elegant. Low Yields of 40hl/hectare.

Food pairing

Ideal drinking temperature: 16° Celsius. We recommend to decant this wine; it pairs well with delicate roasts, smoked ham and ripe pecorino cheeses. Drink now through to 2016.

Alcohol 13% · Residual sugar 0,4g/l · Total acidity 5,2g/l

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