



GEORG BREUER

Wine profile

2017 RAUENTHAL "ESTATE" RIESLING

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

2017 was a vintage full of challenges. It started with a short cold winter. Early bud break was caused by spring-like temperatures from mid-February to mid-April. Our vineyards luckily spared the frost at the end of April. In the middle of May warm weather encouraged the growth of vegetation. The vineyards of Rüdesheim escaped the harsh winds and hail in August while the Rauenthal vineyards suffered damage. We overcame some obstacles in September such as increased rainfall which lead to mould development due to bursting grapes, and high wasp activity. Overall these conditions lead to an early harvest starting in the beginning of September and ending on the 7th of October after a strict selection.

Grape variety

The noblest grape variety in Germany, also acknowledged as one of the greatest varieties in the world ripens late and gives wines which are clean, have a crisp acidity, floral bouquet yet are powerful.

Soils

The village of Rauenthal benefits from a soil composition of phyllite, loess and loam which give wines with racy acidity and well textured body.

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

Brilliant light yellow with a green tinge, seductive aromas of fresh lime zest and tropical fruit. Dry, crisp acidity with an elegant fruit character on the palate and tangy mineral finish.

Alcohol 11,5% · Residual sugar 7,8g/l · Total acidity 8,9g/l

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